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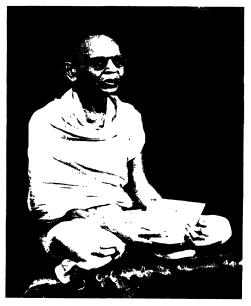
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General Editors' Preface

The Jaina contributions in shaping the cultural trends and in enriching the wealth of civilization of India are quite significant. Jainism is an all-India religion in the sense that Jaina monks and house-holders have played a striking role in different parts of India in shaping the religious, social and political events in different periods of Indian history; and even today, the Jainas who number more than twenty lakhs are scattered all over the country. Jaina caves, temples and holy shrines have their architectural and artistic value; and the Sästra Bhaṇḍāras, i. e., collections of Mss., contain rich literary material which is of special importance for the study of Indian literature and languages.

The Jainological material is so rich and varied and so much extended in time and space that it is well-nigh impossible to take a detailed survey of it at a stretch, in one volume, on an all-India basis. Under the circumstances, there have appeared a number of books which devote themselves to the study of Jainism in its various aspects in different parts of India. A few of them may be noted here: Studies in South India Jainism by M. S. R. IYYANGAR & B. SHESHGIRI RAO, Madras 1922; Jainism in North India by C. J. SHAHA, London 1932; Mediaeval Jainism by B. A. SALETORE, Bombay 1938; Jainism and Karnataka Culture (originally Jainism in South India) by S. R. SHARMA, Dharwat 1940; Jainism in South India & Some Jaina Epigraphs by P. B. DESAI, Sholapur 1957; Jainism in Guyarat by C. B. SHETH, Bombay 1953; Jainism in Bihar by P. C. ROY CHOUDHURY, Patna 1956; Jainism in Orissa (in Hindi) by Dr. L. N. SAHU, Aliganj 1959.

These monographs clearly indicate that there is abundant material for the study of Jainism: its past and present, in different areas. There is scope for similar attempts in other areas as well.

In this volume Dr. KAILASH CHANDA JAIN has taken a survey of Jainism in Rājasthān from the earliest times to the present day. Jainism, in so pinion, has proved itself a great cultural and dynamic force under the liberal patronage of the heroic Rajput rulers who were a great support to Jaina monks and laymen who, in their turn, enriched the cultural heritage of the area. Earlier scholars like Tod, OJHA, NAHAR and others have touched this aspect in their accounts of Rājasthān. Lately. Muni INAVJAZAJ, Shri

NAHATA, Dr. KASHALIWAL and others have brought to light the wealth of valuable Mss. in Jaina Bhandāras of Rājasthān. Dr. KAILASH CHAND has tried here to present a systematic and authentic account of Jainism in Rājasthān. After mentioning his sources, he recounts the historical role of Jainism under different dynasties of Rājasthān. The Jaina monastic and social organisations were subjected to various dividing tendencies which are duly dealt with. He presents a detailed survey of Jain Art, Architecture and Sāstra-Bhandāras. He also gives an account of Jaina monks and statesmen who were a pride of the society.

Such attempts of regional survey of Jainism are quite necessary to assess the value of Jainism as a religious force in the cultural history of our land. The J. S. S. Sangha had already published Jainism in South India by Shri P. B. DESAI; and it was at the suggestion of the late lamented Dr. A. S. ALTEKAR that the present work was undertaken for publication in the Jīvarāja Jaina Granthamālā. It was very kind of Dr. KAILASH CHAND that he placed this thesis in its revised form (originally approved for the Ph. D. degree of the Rajasthan University in 1956) at our disposal to include it in the present Series; and for this, the authorities of the Granthamālā offer their sincere thanks to him.

The General Editors record their thanks to the Members of the Trust Committee and Prabandhasamiti for their zeal for Jainological research and their generosity in undertaking such publications which have limited sale. It is hoped that works of this type will induce other scholars to undertake the study of Jaina history, culture and literature.

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PREFACE

The early traces of Jainism in Rajasthan are found from the second century B. C., but from the eight century onwards, Jainism became a great cultural and dynamic force under the liberal patronage of the heroic Rājpūt rulers, who extended their helping hand to the Srāvakas of the neighbouring regions against the marauding foreign invaders. It is on account of this fact that a large number of Jaina temples and Grantha-bhandāras of the medieval period are found in Rajasthan.

Scholars have already utilised the vast available Jaina sources in writing the history of Rajasthan. Col. James Tod, the pioneer historian of Rajasthan, made use of this material with the guiding help of the Jain Yati GYAN CHAND. Mahāmahopādhyāya Pt.OHA and Shri P. C. NAHAR took great pains in discovering a large number of invaluable Jaina inscriptions. Muni JINAVIJAYAJI, Shri Agar Chand NAHATA and Dr. Kastoor Chand KASALIWAL brought to light a number of rare manuscripts which proved to be of immense help for reconstructing the history of Indian literature in general and Jaina literature in particular. Dr. Dasharath SHARMA critically examined the Jaina sources in writing the Early History of the Chauhānas. All these sources on Jainism are scattered and there was no independent work so far written. To meet this requirement, the present work was taken up by the author on the suggestion of his esteemed Professor Dr. M. L. SHARMA.

This work is an humble effort on the part of the author to present as clear and lucid as possible a picture of Jainism in Rajasthan. In preparation of this thesis, a lot of new material consisting of inscriptions, sculptures and manuscripts was discovered; and all this throws new light on the existing facts of history. Still there is abundant material lying untouched in different parts of Rajasthan. It is hoped that the present attempt would open new avenues of study and research in this subject.

This work is divided into seven Chapters. The first Chapter deals with the sources of the thesis. The second Chapter is concerned with the historical role of Jainism. In this Chapter, it is pointed out how Jainism flourished under the patronage of different ruling dynasties. The third Chapter is related to the divisions and subdivisions of Jainism. For the first time, it throws new light on the origin of several Samghas, Gaṇas,

Gachchhas, Castes and Gotras among Jainas. There are legendary accounts about their origin. All these have been critically examined in the light of the data discovered from several inscriptions and Prasastis. The fourth Chapter is related to Jaina Art. Certain peculiar features of the Jaina art have been discussed in this Chapter. The fifth Chapter deals with Jaina literature composed in Rajasthan. The sixth Chapter gives a brief description of the Sāstrabhaṇḍāras with special reference to the important and rare manuscripts. The seventh Chapter is concerned with Jaina monks and statesmen, who contributed to the progress of Jainism. In conclusion, the contributions of Jainism to Rajasthan in different spheres have been discussed.

In the preparation of this volume, I am under a deep debt of gratitude to my supervisor Dr. M. L. SHARMA, whose constant guidance has greatly contributed to its early completion. To my examiners Dr. A. S. ALTEKAR and Dr. Nilakantha SASTRI, I am indebted for many valuable suggestions. I also express my profound respects to Pt. CHAIN SUKHDASII, Principal, Jain Sanskrit College, Jaipur, without whose help this work could not have been completed. My thanks are also due to Shri Agar Chandji NAHATA of Bikaner, who readily offered many valuable suggestions on this work.

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ABBREVIATIONS

APJLS = Arbudāchala Pradakshinā Jaina Lekha Samdoha.

2. ARRMA = Annual Report, Rajputana Museum, Ajmer.

3. A. S. I. An. Rep. = Archaeological Survey of India, Annual Report.

4. CII = Corpus Inscriptions Indicarum.

EI = Epigraphia Indica.

GOS = Gaekwad's Oriental Series.

7. HOO = History of Osavalas.

8. IA = Indian Antiquary.

9. JASB = Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

10. JBBRAS = Journal of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society.

11. JBORS = Journal of the Bihar and Orissa Research Society.

12. JGG = Jaina Grantha aura Granthakāra.

13. JGPS = Jaina Grantha Praéasti Samgraha.

JSAI = Jaina Sāhitya aura Itihāsa.

JSLS = Jaina Śilālekha Sariigraha.

JSSI = Jaina Sāhityano Sarakshipta Itihāsa.

17. NJI = Nāhar Jaina Inscriptions.

NPP = Nāgarī Prachāriņī Patrikā.
 PLS = Prāchīna Lekha Samgraha.

20. PRAS. WC = Progress Report of Archaeological Survey, Western Circle.

21. PS = Prašasti Samgraha.

22. RB = Rājasthānī Bhāratī.

23. RJSBGS = Rājasthāna ke Jaina Śāstra Bhandārom kī Grantha Süchl.

24. SBE = Sacred Books of the East.
25. SBM = Śramana Bhagavān Mahāvīra.

26. SP = Śodha Patrikā.

27. SVRSSG = Śrīmad Vijaya Rājendra Sūri Smāraka Grantha.





JAINISM IN RAJASTHAN

SOURCES

Jainism has played an important role in the history of Rajasthan from the earliest times to the present day. It was not only patronised by the rulers and members of the ruling families, but it received also the warm support and had an appeal to the heart of the massess. The contributions of Jainism are apparent in all aspects of the cultural heritage of Rajasthan which abounds in Jaina antiquities. There are numerous Jaina temples which are fine specimens of art and architecture and have beautiful sculptures. Numerous Jaina inscriptions unfold the history of this land. Jaina monks tried for the social uplift of the masses; and they also enriched the local languages by their literary works. But these sources are widely scattered and many of them have remained unexplored. No work has been written so far to trace out the history and influence of Jainism in Rajasthan. To clucidate this subject, an attempt has, therefore, been made in this thesis by using all scattered materials in a comprehensive and correlated manner.

These sources may be broadly divided under these heads:
(1) Archaeology; (2) Literature; and (3) Writings of the foreigners.

(1) Archarology: (a) Epigraphy: The inscriptions form the most reliable source of our information. There are discovered by me about two hundred Jaina inscriptions in the various parts of Rajasthan and over a thousand have been already discovered by other scholars mainly by Gaurishankab Hirachand Ojha and Puran Chand Nahab. The earliest inscription seems to be belonging probably to the fifth century 2.0.1 They are written in Sanskrit, Präkrit and Rajasthäni and sometimes in a mixed language. The inscriptions upto 600 A.D. are in Brāhmī script, those from 600 to 900 A.D. mostly in the Kuṭila form of it, and the remaining are written in Devanāgarī script. A good many of them throw a flood of light on the religious, social and political conditions of the periods under review.

Bhāratīya Prāchīna Lipimālā, p. 2. According to Dr. Siecae, it is not a Jaina inscription but his views do not seem to be tenable; See JBORS, March 1954, p. 8.

In some of them the names of the contemporary rulers and their ministers have been mentioned and the genealogies of the ruling dynasties are given.

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These inscriptions are chiefly valuable for the religious history of the period. They give us information about the Jaina Church organization which was divided into several branches such as Sangha, Gaṇa and Gachchha. A complete and connected history of the Gachchhas is impossible without their help. They mention names of the teachers of the various Gachchhas, inauguration ceremonies of the numerous temples etc.; and the inscriptions tell us when the several Jaina castes and their Gotras came, into existence.

- (b) Monuments: The old Jaina temples and images are another important source of religious history. They show the extent and popularity of Jainism in Rajasthan at different periods and also indicate the stage which the Jaina architecture and iconography had reached.
- (2) LITERATURE: (2) Literary works: The earliest literature of Jainism is devoted exclusively to religion and philosophy. The Kalpaŭitra, Achārānjag-tūtra and Uttarādhyayana-sūtra represent a very early period of Jainism. The Jaina literary works which were written in Rajasthan belong, however, to a later period. They throw much light on the condition of Jainism in this state. The Jambūdīrapamatti of Padmanandi written in about the tenth century A-D. at Bārā in Kotah State, Kumalayamātā of Uddyotana written at Jalore in 779 A-D., Prawāzagītikātroya of Jayānanda written in 1370 A-D., Gurugmaratuākara Kāpya of Somachāritra Gaṇi written in V-S. 1341 and Digujiya-Mabākānya of Meghavijaya of the 18th century are of special importance.
- (b) Historical Writings: There are some ancient historical writings from which we may draw certain conclusions after their critical examination. The Dvyāiraya and Trixhathitilalākāpurusha-charitra of Hemachandra are useful for the history of Jainism under the Chālukyas. The Prabhāvaka-charitra of Prabhāchandra Sūri written in v.s. 1361 and Pwātanaprabandhasangraba of Rājašekhara written in v.s. 1405 contain numerous interesting anecdotes about several Jaina monarchs and saints. The Vastupālacharitra written in the 13th century by Jinaharsha and Vimalacharitra written by Lāvanya-samaya in v.s. 1368 are useful for the history of the faith during this period. The Darlamasāra of Devasena written in v.s. 909 throws a great

deal of light on the origin of the Sanighas in the Digambara church. The Upakelacharitra written in v.s. 1393 is useful for Jaina history.¹ The Yngapradhänāchārya Gurvāvali of Jinapāla Upādhyāya written in v.s. 1305 is a reliable source of history about the lives of the Jaina saints. The Karmachaudra Vahiota Kīrvana Kūryam of Jayasoma of the 17th century supplies us a mine of information about the life of Karma Chandra and the condition of Jainism in the Bikaner State.

- (c) Prasastis: The Prasastis are as important as the inscriptions, but they do not belong to the early period. Probably, the practice of writing the Prasastis started from about the 8th or the 9th century; but very few specimens have survived. From about the 12th or 13th century, it became the general practice. They invariably mention the time when they were written. They refer to the rulers in whose time they were composed. They give us the information about the various existing Saringhas, Ganas and Gachchhas and their teachers. They mention the genealogy of the donor, his caste and Gotra. They indicate the liberality of the people, which was responsible for the preparation of so many copies of the manuscripts. These Prasastis are the most valuable source for reconstructing the history of Jaina Literature in particular and of Indian Literature in general.
- (d) Paṭṭāvalis: The Paṭṭāvalis form some trustworthy source of history. They contain description of the incidents from the lives of the various saints who lived in different periods. The important Paṭṭāvalis are the Kharataraṣashbha-paṭṭāvali, Tapāṣashbha-paṭṭāvali, etc. They mention the origin of the different sects into which, in course of time, the Jaina church organization was divided. The information given in them is not always absolutely correct and precise; and they are very helpful, provided they are critically used.
- (e) Vanisāvalis: Some Vanisāvalis are helpful for the history. They give the origin of the different castes and their Gotras. They also give a lot of insight into the lives of some well-known persons born in certain Jaina communities. Sometimes, they yield important information regarding the political history of the period. The regaining of Jodhpur

It has not been published yet. Muni JNANA SUNDARAJI has taken much help from it in writing the book namely Sri Bhagavan Parseanatha ki Parampara ki Itilasa.

from Shershah by Māladeva with the help of Tejā Gaddhaiyā is known to us from a Vamsāvali.

- (f) Tirthamālās and Tīrthastavanas: These are recorded accounts of the saints who went along with the Chaturvidha Samgha (fourfold Samgha) for the pilgrimage from place to place. They used to travel sometimes alone by themselves. The Vividhatīrthakalpa of Jinaprabha-sūri, written in about the 14th century A.D. and the Tīrthamālā of Saubhāgyavijaya are important from the point of view of the biographics of certain Jaina saints. They contain an account of the construction of the temples and the installation of the images. The Stavana of Kanakasoma gives an account of the destruction caused to the images of Sirohi by Turasamakhān.²
- (g) Letters and Documents: Letters and documents are a reliable source of contemporary history. Considerable correspondence passed between the Jaina Λchāryas and the rulers of Rajputana in medieval times. The rulers also allotted lands to the Jaina Λchāryas for the construction of temples. The relevant documents are in the possession of the Jaina monks. Impressed by the services of the Jaina statesmen, the ruling chiefs of the different states of Rajasthan granted them certain Sanads or grants which are in the possession of their descendants.
- (h) Vijnaptipatras: These are the invitations, sent to Jaina Achāryas by Jaina Saringhas of a particular community for the next Chārutmāsa. These letters are also meant to atone for the acts of commission and omission of the members of a Saringha and to convey their good wishes for the whole of humanity. These are useful from several points of view. They usually give, in a pictorial form, the description of the locality from which they are issued. The local events given in them are of considerable value for the local history. They provide us with interesting details regarding arts and crafts, professions etc. of the localities with which they are concerned. The pictures given in them are useful for the history of Jaina art. They also throw a lot of light on the social and religious conditions of the period. They have been issued from the cities such as Jodhpur, Bikaner, Udaipur, and Sirobi.
- (i) Illustrated Manuscripts: Several illustrated copies of the manuscripts have been preserved in the Jaina Grantha Bhandāras at Jaisalmer.

 1. Anekānia Vol. 2, No. 6, p. 249.

 2. Bīkūnera Jaina Lekha Samaraka, p. 27.

^{1.} Aneswala vol. 2, No. 6, p. 249. 2. Bikanera Jama Leuna Samgrana, p. 21.

Bikaner, Jaipur, Nagaur etc. They indicate the art and culture of the people They also vividly depict the artistic and religious achievements of the people; and as they are dated, they enable us to draw in outline the history of Jaina. paintings in the wider perspective of Indian painting.

(3) WRITINGS OF THE FOREIGNERS: The writings of Greeks, of Yuan Chwang and Arab travellers which throw very interesting light on the religious conditions existing from the very early times to the tenth century A.D., have been utilised in this thesis, because they make frequent references to Jainism in Western India.

CHAPTER II

HISTORICAL ROLE OF JAINISM

The region now known as Rajasthan was, according to certain geologists, once a deep sea. As a result of certain sudden saismic changes, the sea disappeared and its bottom rose up. Of course, this must have happened in very remote past. This region has always had its importance in Indian history. Bairāth in the Jaipur district is mentioned in the Mahābhārata¹ as the place where Arjuna served the local chief for a long time. It was a place of importance in the time of Aśoka who inscribed his important directions on a piece of rock there. Mount Ābū and the town of Bhīnamāla have each a history of its own. Chittore has played an important part in our political history since the sixth century A.D. Mandor also was equally well-known till Jodhpur became the capital of the region. There are several other places which were centres of art, learning and general culture before the erst-while states of Rajasthan were set up.

It seems that in the time of Aśoka, Bairāth which occupies a central position in Rajasthan, was selected as the provincial centre for the propagation of Buddhism but no trace of this religion has survived except the Bhābru edict and a few statues found here and there. The dominant religions of this area have been Hinduism and Jainism. Hinduism must have spread from the north not long after the Aryan penetration of India. It has existed here since the dawn of Vedic civilization with all its later forms. Jainism

^{1.} Mahābhārata, Vol. 3. Virāṭa Parvan.

was known in Rajasthan since the time of its very inception. Of course, it must have had ups and downs but it had a continual existence from the eighth century A.D. onwards. We find sufficient material indicating that Jainism had reached every corner of Rajasthan. Its followers were always comparatively richet and more influential. Its doctrines are harmless and non-aggressive. It has, therefore, commanded respect even from those who did not regularly follow it.

JAINISM DURING THE PERIOD OF MAHAVIRA: The historic period of Indian History starts nearly from about the time of Mahāvīra. Actually, Jainism remained confined to the east at this time though its contact with Raiasthan is known from the later sources. There is the inscription of 1276 A.D. which begins with a verse which tells us that Mahāvīra in person came to Śrīmāla.1 This is supported by Śrīmāla Mābātmya, a work of about the thirteenth century A.D. which gives an account of the dissemination of Jainism in Śrīmāla. Disgusted with the behaviour of the Brāhmanas of Śrīmāla, Gautama Ganadhara went to Kashmir where he was converted to Jainism by Mahāvīra. After his return to Śrīmāla, he converted the Vaiśyas to Jainism and composed the Kalpasūtra, Bhagavatīsūtra, Mahārīra Janmasūtra and other works.2 An inscription of 1369 A.D. found on the door of the chief shrine in Jīvantasvāmi Śrī Mahāvīra Jaina temple at Mungasthala mahātīrtha, 43 miles west of Abu road shows that Lord Mahavira visited Arbudahliumi and an image was consecrated by Śrī Keśī Ganadhara during the 37th year of of the life of Mahāvīra.8 These statements are of a very late time and therefore, cannot be easily relied on. But from them, it can be inferred that in the 13th century A.D. Jainism was considered a very old religion in Rajasthan.

The most substantial evidence for the existence of Jainism in Rajasthan of the 5th century B.C. is the Baḍalī inscription,4 the oldest inscription so far discovered. This inscription mentions the name of the place Mājhamikā which may be identified with Mādhyamikā near Chittore mentioned by Patajāli in Mahābbātbya.5 At present it is known as Nagarī. The Mājhamikā branch of the Jaina church organization mentioned in the

^{1.} PRAS.; WC.; 1907, p. 35.

^{2.} Śrimālapurāna, pp.633-663.

^{3.} APJLS., No. 48.

^{4.} NJI., No. 402.

^{5.} The History of Rajputana, Vol.1, p. 110.

Sthemināvali of the Kalparātra became famous after the place name of Mājhamikā. Priyagranetha, the second pupil of Susthita and Supratibuddha, founded this branch in about the 3rd century 3rd. An inscription of about third century 3rd. has been discovered at this place. Its meaning is as follows 'constructed for the well-being of all living beings.' This inscription may be probably of the Jainas. From these evidences, it seems that there were Jainas in Rajasthan at this time.

JAINISM UNDER THE MAURYAS: Jainism continued to make gradual progress under the Mauryas. From the strong Jaina literary traditions and epigraphical evidence, Chandragupta Maurya is considered to be the Jaina emperor.³ He undoubtedly ruled over a vast empire. As Aśoka is credited in his inscriptions with only one conquest viz., that of Kalinga, it is reasonable to hold that the empire over which Aśoka ruled was mostly the creation of his grandfather, Chandragupta. The inscription of Aśoka discovered at Bairāt in the centre of Rajasthan, clearly proves that this region was also ruled by Chandragupta.

Chandragupta made great efforts for the dissemination of Jainism. He is said to have performed the consecration ceremony of the images of many temples. In a village of Ghānghānī, at a distance of 18 miles from Jodhpur, there is an old temple of Pārīsvanātha. In v.s. 1662, many images were discovered in the tank of this place. By chance, the poet Sundaragaṇi went on pilgrimage to this place and saw the inscription on the image and examined it. He is said to have read the inscription by the miraculous power given to him by the goddess Ambikā. He immedially composed the poem on it. According to it, Samrāṭ Chandragupta made the golden image of Pārīsvanātha and its pratithā was performed probably through Śruta-Kevalī Bhadrabāhu. This evidence is of a very late period and so there is much doubt about its correctness.

After Chandragupta's abdication, his son Bindusāra came to the throne. He seems to have followed the faith of his father. Asoka succeeded Bindusāra on the throne. His early faith seems to be Jainism, the faith of his forefathers; but afterwards, he became a Budhhist by the influence of the

^{1.} SBE., Vol. 22, p. 293.

Udaipur Rājua kā Itihāsa, p. 354.

^{3.} The Early History of India, p. 154. (See also F. N. 3.)

^{4.} Bhagavān Pāršvanātha kī Paramparā kā Itihāsa, p. 273

Buddhist saint Tishyarakshita and his wife. When he was converted to Buddhism, he was still tolerant towards other religions, especially to Jainism. He built cave dwellings of the Barābara Hills near Gaya for the Ājīvikas, more or less a sect of the Jainas. There are frequent references to liberality for the Ājīvikas and Nirgranthas, the Jaina sects, in his inscriptions. This clearly shows that next to Buddhism, he was the follower of Jainism, the religion of his ancestors.

When Kunāla lost his claim to the throne of Magadha on account of his blindness, his son Samprati was declared as the rightful successor by Asoka. The existence and succession of Samprati, the grandson of Asoka. although not verified by epigraphic records, is supported by a considerable body of traditions, both of Jainas and Buddhists. Under the influence of Suhastin, the leading saint of the Jaina community under Mahagiri, Samprati was converted to Jainism. He tried to spread Jainism by every means in his power, working as hard for Jainism as Asoka had done for Buddhism. He is, therefore, regarded as a Jaina Asoka. According to Jaina scriptures, he had decided to rinse his mouth in the morning, only after hearing the news of a new temple having been built. Besides, he got all the old and existing temples repaired and set up into all of them the idols made of gold, stone, silver, brass and of a mixture of fine metals and performed their 'Añjanasalākā' ceremony, i. e., declared them fit for worship. Within three years and a half, he got one hundred and twenty five thousand new temples built, 36 thousand repaired, twelve and a half millions of idols consecrated and 95 thousand metal idols prepared.2 This seems to be only a hyperbolic description. But he seems to have built a number of Jaina temples even in Rajasthan which was included in his empire. He is said to have celebrated the installation ceremony of the image of Padmaprabha at a place named Ghānghānī, through Ārya Suhasti in v. N. S. 204.8 Top attributes an old temple at Kumbhalmera to Samprati. This temple is discribed by ToD in this way. "The design of this temple is truly classic. It consists only of the sanctuary which has a vaulted dome and a colonnaded portico all round The architecture is undoubtedly Jaina, which is as distinct in character.

^{1.} VINCENT SEITH: Early History of India, pp. 202-203 (See also F. N. 1.)

T. L. SHAHA: Ancient India, Vol. 2, pp. 293-294.

^{3.} Bhagavan Parévanatha ki Parampara ka Itihasa, p. 273.

from the Brahmanical as their religion. There is a chasteness and simplicity in this specimen of monotheistic worship, affording a wide contrast to the elaborately sculptured shrines of the Saivas and other polytheists of India. The extreme want of decoration best attests its antiquity, entitling us to attribute it to that period when Samprati Rajā, of the family of Chandragupta, was paramount sovereign over all these regions. The proportions and forms of the columns are especially distinct from the other temples, being slight and tapering instead of massive, the general characteristic of Hindu architecture, while the projecting cornices which would absolutely deform shafts less slight are peculiarly indicative of the Takshac architect."

Dr. BHANDARKAR contends that ToD is wrong in ascribing this temple to the second century B.C. It is quite improbable that the Jaina temple may have been designed by Grecian artists or that the taste of the artists among the Rājaputs may have been modelled after the Grecian. It appears to have been left in an unfinished condition. ToD however is quite wrong in ascribing this temple to 200 B.C. The style of its pillars closely resembles that of Tejapāla's temple at Delavādā on mount Ābū. The construction of this temple cannot be possibly placed earlier than the 13th century A.D. and was probably later even than this.² Any how, the local people believed that it was extremely old.

At Nādalāi there is a Jaina temple dedicated to Ādinātha. On the seat of the image is engraved an inscription dated v. s. 1686 which speaks of its being rebuilt by the whole Jaina community of Nādalāi. The temple was originally erected by Samprati. In the 17th century, the Jainas at Nādalāi believed that the temple was built by Samprati; so there was an old tradition to this effect.

Besides this, Samprati took other steps for the propagation of Jainism. From the Jaina books,4 we know that he started a Sangha from Uijain to Satrunjaya in the company of Suhasti with 3000 Śramanas. This Sangha must have passed through southern Rajasthan. He is also said to have convoked a council for the propagation of Jaina religion under Suhasti. He sent out religious teachers for the propagation of Jainism.

^{1.} Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, Vol. 2, pp. 779-780.

PRAS. WC., 1901 p. 41.
 NJL, Vol. 1. No. 856.
 Bhagavān Pārsvanātha ki Paramparā kā Itihāsa, pp. 289—290.

ACCOUNT OF THE GREEK WRITERS OF WESTERN INDIA: The Greek writers supply very valuable information about the Indian philosophers whom Alexander met. STRABO makes mention of two sects of philosophers one called the Brachmanes and the other Germanes. Brachmanes represent the Brahmanas and the Germanes is evidently a corruption of Sarmanes which represents the Sanskrit Sramana (a Jaina ascetic). But the question is who these people were. Some say that these are Buddhist saints, but they seem to be Jaina saints because they have been described as naked, and they are called by the name Gymnosophists. Nakedness is a special characteristic of Jains monks. PLINY says that their philosophers whom they call Gymnosophists, are accustomed to remain in one posture with their eyes immovably fixed on the sun from dawn to dusk and to stand on the burning sands all day long now on one foot and now on the other.1 One ONESIGRITUS says that these sages went about naked, inflicted hardships on themselves and were held in highest honour and when invited, they did not visit anybody but requested the persons concerned to come to them if they wanted to participate in their conversion.2 This description applies to Digambara Jaina monks.

The Greek observers found women studying philosophy along with men. But they all led a life of extreme austerity. And as the Brāhmaṇas did not generally admit their women to their philosophy, these women must have been, therefore, probably the nuns of the Jaina church.

Among these sages, one was Kālnos who accompanied Alexander probably to instruct him in the matters of religion. His real name, according to Plutarch, was Sphines; and he received the name Kālnos among the Greeks because in saluting the persons, he used the word Kale. It is probably the Sanskrit form Kalyāṇa which is commonly used in addressing a person and signifies good, just or distinguished. When he became ill at Pasargadi, this being the first sickness he ever had, he put an end to his life in his seventy third year without heeding the entreaties of the king.³ This type of voluntary death is specially found among the Jainas. The Ratnakaranda Syāvakāchāra (Chap. 5) of Samantabhadra (about second century a.p.) dilates on sallekbanā which consists in abandoning the body for the accumulation of merit in calamities, famines, extreme old age and incurable diseases.

^{1.} MCCRINDLE: Ancient India, p. 68; F. N. I. 2. Ibid. p. 72. 3. Ibid. p. 73.

The Indian sages, according to the Greek writers, have been divided into two categories (1) the Brähmanas and (2) Śramanas. The Brähmanas succeeded by right of birth to this kind of divine wisdom as to a priesthood. They are one family, the descendents of one father and mother. The Śramanas, on the other hand, are taken from all Indian castes differently from all who wish to give themselves to the study of divine beings. These saints were probably Jaina saints, because there was no question of caste restriction in Jainism.

These naked Samnoi practise truth, make predictions about futurity and worship a kind of pyramid beneath which they think the bones of some divinity lie buried.² This practice is also noticed among the Jainas who used to construct the stapas, specimens of which are found at Mathura.

According to the Greek writers, the society was divided into the five classes in accordance with the occupations. Some cultivate the soil; very many follow war and other trades. The noblest and richest manage public affairs, administer justice and sit in the council with the kings. A fifth class devotes itself to the philosophy prevalent in the country which almost assumes the form of religion and the members always put an end to their lives by burning themselves on funeral pile.⁸

The characteristics and practices of these saints indicate that they were Jaina saints. Jainism was prevalent in Western India on the eve of the coming of the Greeks in India. The Jaina monks and nuns were found in such a large number that they caught the attention of the foreigners. If it is in the border provinces, it may have been in existence even in the adjacent region like Rajasthan.

Jainism continued to flourish in Western India under the foreigners like the Scythians in the first century B.C. The great Jaina saint namely Kālakāchārya wandered in Saurāshtra, Āvanti and most probably in the western parts of Rajasthan and taught Jainism to the people. Kālakāchārya, had a sister called Sarasvatī who joined the convent. The king Gardhabhilla of Ujjainī was fascinated by her beauty and ravished her. Kālakāchārya being enraged, went to the west of Sindhu and lived with a Śāhī (Śaka) chief over whom he obtained great influence by means of his astrological

^{1.} MOORINDLE: Ancient India, p. 169. 2. Ibid. 183.

^{3.} Ancient India as described by MEGASTHENESE & ARRIAN, p. 136.

knowledge. Gradually, he came to learn that his patron and 95 other chiefs who lived in the same locality all obeyed a common overlord. This overload might have been Mithradates, the Great and his patron Maues. That Mithradates and Maues lived in the first century 2.0., is known to us from munismatic evidence. Kālakāchārya persuaded his patron to invade the kingdom of Gardhabhilla with the aid of his 96 fellow chiefs and himself joined the army which marched along Sindha and Gujarāt and besieged Ujjainī. Ujjainī fell and Śakas established their supremacy in Malwa. At that time, Malwa also included the Southern part of Rajasthan as we know both from the epigraphical and numismatic evidences.

After 17 years of Saka occupation over Ujjain, Vikramāditya, son of Gardhabhilla, regained his kingdom by expelling the Sakas. It is clear both from the numismatic and epigraphic evidences that the Malavas at this time under Vikramaditya occupied the south eastern Rajasthan. In the age of Vikramāditva, Jainism was a living and active religion; and it influenced the life of the people. Some of the Jaina sources claim Vikramaditya as a convert to Jainism. Then Siddhasena Divakara having caused the breaking of the phallic symbol of Mahākāla in Ujjainī and the appearance of the image of Pārsvanātha enlightened Vikramāditya.3 According to the Digambara Jaina Pattāvali Vikramāditva played as a child for eight years; for sixteen years, he roamed over the country; for fifteen years, he performed sacrifices, being given over to false doctrine; for forty years, he was devoted to the religion of the Jaina and then reached heaven.4 These accounts strikingly resemble the stories of Portuguese Jesuit fathers who claimed that Akbar had embraced Christianity. They contain the truth that Vikramāditya had respect and admiration for Jainism.

In his time, the great temple of Śrī Mahāvīra named Yaksha Vasati was built on the top of Suvarnagiri near Jālaurapura by a merchant but the fact that it was during the reign of and in the territory of Vikramāditya, shows that the king, if not a Jaina, was at least sympathetically inclined towards Jainism.⁶

Nāndasā sacrificial pillar inscription of the third century A.D. (Udaipur state), see EI, Vol. 27, p. 266.
 ASIR Vol. VI, pp. 160—183.

The Pattväali Samuchchaya, p. 46, 106.
 I.A., Vol. 20, p. 347.

^{5.} TRIBHUVAN LAL SHAH: Ancient India, III. pp. 381-82.

In about the first century B.C., Harshapura appears to be in a highly prosperous condition. It may be identified with modern Harsura near Pushkara. The city has been described in the Jaina books² in the following manner. It has three hundred Jaina temples, four hundred mansions, eighteen hundred Brähmana houses, thirty six thousand Vanik houses, nine hundred parks and gardens, nine hundred wells and seven hundred houses of charity." The name of the king is mentioned Subhaṭapāla, but he is not known to history. This statement is based on the works written in about the 17th century A.D. and, therefore, cannot be easily relied upon. But there is no doubt that from about the eighth century A.D., this place was a great centre of Jainism. Harshapura Gachchha originated from this place in about the 12th century A.D.

JAINISM DURING THE KUSHANA PERIOD: The temples, images stone railings, sculptures and the Jaina inscriptions of the Kushāna period discovered at Mathura throw considerable light on the political and social history of North India. The inscriptions are full of the information as to the organisation of the Jaina church in sections known as Gana, Kula and Śakhā and supply excellent illustrations of the Jaina books. Both inscriptions and sculptures give interesting details proving the existence of the Jaina nuns and the influential position in the Jaina church occupied by women. If Jainism had a strong hold in Mathura, it could not have been unknown in the parts of Raiasthan adiacent to Mathura.

Jainism also spread much in the second century A. D. by the efforts of Samantabhadra who was a great Digambara Jaina scholar. According to the Śravana Belagola instription dated 1050 Śaka era, he beat the drum (literally invited opponents to refute him) at Pāṭaliputra, in Mālwā, in Sindha, in Thakka country (the Punjab) and came to Kānchī in the south and thence came to Karnāṭaka. This statement seems to be based on old traditions. The Mālavas in the Second century A. D. were ruling over the south eastern Rajasthan. Even in the time of Samudragupta, they were almost in the same area. Thus, Samantabhadra seems to have preached Jainism in a part of Rajasthan in the second century A. D. At about this time, it might have spread to Mewar region where Jaina traditions go back to very early times.

^{1.} TRIBHUVAN LAL SRAH: Ancient India, III, p. 140.

^{2.} HIRALAL JAIN: Jaina-Silälekhasaingraha, Pt. I, No. 54, p. 102.

JAINISM DURING THE GUPTA PERIOD: There are records of the Gupta period which show that the Jainas used to respect the Hindus and their teachers. The Guptas were orthodox Hindus but the best tribute to their administration has been paid by a contemporary Jaina record.1 An inscription of 412 A.D. of Mathura during the reign of Kumaragupta I records that an image was set up by Samadhya, the daughter of Bhattibhava and the house-wife of the ferryman, Grahamitrapilat at the command of Dattilacharya of the Kottiya Gana and the Vidyadhari Śakha.2 The Udaigiri cave inscription of the reign of this ruler of 425-26 A.D. also states how one Śankara caused an image of the Tirthankara Pārśvanātha to be made and set up at the mouth of the cave.3 The Kahaum stone pillar inscription of Skandagupta of 460-61 A.D. commemorates the installation of fine images in a column by a certain Madra. Even in Rajasthan, the remains of Gupta Taina temple have been discovered. In Dec. 1949, M. S. VATSA, the joint Director General of Archaeology, Government of India, New Delhi, visited Keshoraipatan at the request of National Heritage Preservation Society, Bundi. He was of opinion that there must be buried town of Keshoraipatan which can be traced back to Gupta period. The bricks with the characteristics of the Gupta period have been discovered at a depth of about 25 feet from the surface of the mound. One Kalbavriksha patta of Jaina mythology and other Jaina sculptures have been found out here. All these facts indicate that there was a Jaina temple here in the Gupta period.

RECORD OF YUANCHAWANG: That Jainism flourished from Taxila to the remotest south in the seventh century A. D. is known to us from the writings of Yuanchawang. In Rajasthan, he visited Bhinamal and Bairat, From his account, it is clear that Buddhism was in decadence at these places. At Bhinamal, there was only one Buddhist monastery with about 100 brethren who were adherents of the Hinayanist Sarvastivada School. The population was mostly of the non-Buddhist, and ony a few persons believed in Buddhism. There were some tens of Deva temples and there were the adherents of different religions.5 At Bairat also, there were eight Buddhist monasteries in a bad state of ruin with a few Buddhists. There

^{1.} CII, Vol. III, p. 258.

^{2.} EI, XXXVIII, pp. 210-211;

^{3.} CII, Vol. III, p. 259-60.

^{4.} CII, III, p. 65.

^{5.} Thomas Watters: On Yuanchawang's travels in India, p. 249.

were about ten Deva temples and the number of non-Buddhists was about 1000.¹ From this account, it may be inferred that there were other religions such as Brahmanism and Jainism in existence along with Buddhism at these places and flourishing.

In the temple of Basantagadha, a pair of images of Rishabhadeva has been found underground on which is incised an inscription of 687 A.D.² This definitely indicates the popularity of Jainism in Rajasthan at the close of the 7th century A.D.

Jainism spread in Rajasthan in the 8th or 9th century A.D. by the efforts of the great scholar named Haribhadrasuiri who was the priest of the king Jitāri of Chittore. In his work Samarāichchakabā, he throws some light on the condition of Jainism. We are told how a person named Sikhin was invited. His father Brahmadatta who was the minister caused presents to be distributed and a festival to be celebrated in the Jaina temple in honour of the forthcoming ordination of his son, Sikhin. When the day fixed for it came round, he was carried in a palanquin with great pomp.³ The rivalry between Jainism and Buddhism was very keen in his time.

RECORD OF THE MUSLIM VISITORS ABOUT JAINISM IN WESTERN INDIA: Some information about Jainism is available in the writings of the Muslim travellers who visited Western India in about the eighth or ninth century A.D. Unfortunately, they were not enlightened observers and suffered from a confusion and ascribed every image, temple and sage to Buddhism which is not necessarily correct. The image of Buddha became so popular with them that even the temple of the Sun was believed to be that of Buddha by Bilāduri. Even the European scholars who translated their works, could not distinguish between lainism and Buddhism.

Abu Zaidul writes: "In India, there are persons who in accordance with their professions wander in the woods and mountains and rarely communicate with the rest of mankind. Sometimes, they have nothing to eat but herbs and fruits of the forest. Some of them go about naked, others stand naked with the face turned to the sun, having nothing on but panther's skin. In my travels, I saw a man in the position I have described, sixteen

^{1.} Ibid. p. 300.

APJLS, No. 365.

^{3.} Samarāichchakahā, Intr., p. LIII. Text p. 187-88.

^{4.} The History of India as told by its own people Vol. 1, p. 504.

years afterwards, I turned to that country and found him in the same posture. What astonished me was that he was not melted by the heat of the Sun. 1 Nakedness is the creed found among the Jainas though it was not unknown among the Hindus. Most probably, some of them were Jaina saints.

Aśāral Bilād, an author of the 13th century, was not a traveller but he compiled his work from the writings of the earlier travellers. He on the information derived from Miśorbin Muhalhil, author of Ajaibuldan, writes that in the city named Saimur, near Sindhu, there lived infidels who do not slaughter animals nor do they eat flesh, fish or eggs, but there are persons who eat animals that have fallen precipices or that have been goted to death but they do not eat at once that have died a natural death.³ This type of information indicates that there were two kinds of people namely Buddhists and Jainas.

JAINISM UNDER THE RAJPUTS: Jainism made a striking progress under the rule of the heroic Rājapūt rulers from the eighth century A.D. No doubt, they were mostly the followers of Vaishnavism and Saivism, but they adopted a generous attitude and felt actively interested even in the progress of Jainism. The popularity of Jainism in the Rājapūt States of Gujarata, Malwa and Rajputana was due to the magnetic influence of the powerful personalities like Hemachandra, the Sankara of the Jainas. The rulers of this time were served by some highly talented Jaina statesmen who could not but evoke sympathy in their masters for Jainism by their loyal and valuable services. The merchants of this class also contributed considerably to the growth and development of their religion by constructing temples and images.

UNDER PRATHĀRAS: Jainism flourished in Rajasthan under Prati-hāras. There is a temple of Mahāvīra at Osiā, constructed in the time of Vatsarāja.³ This Vatsarāja was contemporary of the author Jinasena who mentions him in the Hariuanitapurāya in 783 A.D. In about 792 A.D. Nāgabaṭṭa, the son of Vatsarāja, became the ruler of Gurjaradeśa. His popular name was Āma. From the Prabhāvahacharitra, it is clear that Āma and Nāgāvaloka are one and the same ruler. He married the daughter of Vaṇika whose descendants became Jainas and one of them namely Karnasāħa restored the Satrunjaya

^{1.} The History of India as told by its own people Vol. 1, p. 6.

^{2.} Ibid. Vol. 1., p. 97.

A.S.I., an. Ref. 1908-09, p. 108.

Tirtha in 1530 A.D.³ He honoured the Jaina teacher Bappasüri and in accordance with his instructions constructed the Jaina temples at several places. In about 840 A.D., Mihirabhoja became the ruler who also patronized Jainism under the influence of Nannasüri and Govindasüri, the disciples of Bappasüri. Kakkuka was the Pratihāra ruler of Mandor near Jodhpur. He was a Sanskrit scholar and patron of Jainism. From the Ghaṭyālā inscription of 861 of A.D., it is clear that he constructed a Jaina temple.⁵

JAINISM UNDER THE CHAUHANAS: By the influence of the Jaina Āchāryas, the Chauhāna rulers also patronized Jainism. Prithvīrāja I is known to have been ruling in 1105 A.D.8 He had golden cupolas put on the Jaina temples of Ranthambhor.4 This besides proving his mastery of Ranthambhor testifies to his liberal views in matters of religion. His son and successor was Ajayaraja. Though he was a devotee of Siva, he paid due respect also to the followers of Jaina sects. He permitted the Jainas to build temples in the newly founded city of Aimer, presented a golden Kalasa to the temple of Pārsvanāthas and acted as a judge in the religious discussion between the Svetāmbata teacher Dharmaghoshasūri and his Digambara opponent Gunachandra. He was succeeded by his son Arnoraja, also known as Annaladeva, before 1133 A.D. He was a contemporary of Jinadattasüri whom he held in great respect. He visited him at his seat and granted a suitable site to his followers for the construction of a big Jaina temple.7 Jinadattasūri died and was also cremated at Ajmer in 1154 A.D. After Dādā Jinadattasuri, the place came to be known as Dādābārī or the garden of Dādā. After that, in a number of towns in Rajasthan, the Jaina merchants renamed their gardens as Dadabaris in respectful memory of the great saint.

After Amorāja, Vīsaladeva Vigraharāja ascended the throne in about 1152 a.D. In religious matters, he followed the foot-steps of his forefathers. For Jainas, he built *vibāras*, participated in their religious ceremonies and on the representation of one of their religious teachers, Dharmaghoshasuri,

^{1.} Muni Jinavijaya: Jaina-lekha-saingraha Pt. II, No. 12. 5. JRAS, 1895, p. 516.

^{2.} The History of India as told by its own people, Vol. 1, p. 504.

^{3.} ARRMA, yr. 1934, No. 4.

^{4.} Catalogue of the Manuscripts in the Pattana Bhandaras, p. 316.

^{5.} Janamana yr. 1, No. 1. p. 4.

^{6.} Catalogue of Manuscripts in Pattana Bhandaras,p. 316.

Kharatara-gachchha-Brihadgurvävali, p. 16.

prohibited the slaughter of animals on the Eksadasi day.¹ After him, Pṛithvīrāja II became the ruler. It is known from the Bijoliā inscription of 1169 A.D. that Pṛithvīrāja II endowed the temple of Pārsvanātha at Bijoliā with a village called Morakurī to meet its recurring expenses. Pṛithvīrāja II was succeeded by his uncle Someśvara, son of Arporāja. He earned through his personal valour the biruda of Pratāpalaūkeśvara and with a desire to gain heaven endowed Pārsvanātha on the bank of the Revā with a village named Revānā in absolute charity.³ After Someśvara, his son Pṛithvīrāja III became the emperor who ruled from 1179 A.D. He liked religious discussions and therefore, in his royal court, a debate was held in 1182 A.D. between Jinapatisūri and Pandita Padmaprabha, Chaityavāšī to Upakešagachchha in which Jinapatisūri emerged victorious.⁴

A branch of Chauhānas ruled from Nādol in Marwar from 960 A.D. till 1252 A.D. Aśvatāja of this dynasty was a feudatory of the Solankī empetor Kumārapāla. He accepted Jainism and patronized it. He gave commands for the strict observance of abināzā in his kingdom on certain days. He made over to his son Kaţukarāja the village of Sevādī as Jāgīra which was famous for the temple of Vītanātha, the 24th Tīrthankara. The inscription of Sevādī of 1110 A.D. of the time of Aśvatāja records a grant of barlevequal to one bārahā from every one of the wells arahaṭa belonging to the villages of Padrādā, Medramchā, Chhechhadiyā and Meddadī for the daily worship of Dharmanāthadeva in the temple of Samīpāṭī by the Mahāsāhanīya Uppalarāka (the great master of stables). The second stone inscription of Sevādī of 1115 A.D. records that Kaṭukarāja made an annual grant of 8 drammas to Thallaka, the son of Bāhada, on the Śivarātrī day for the worship of Sāntinātha in the Khattaka (niche) of Yaśodeva, the grand-father of the donee.

Mahārāja Rāyapāla also patronized Jainism. The Nāḍalāī stone inscription of 1132 A.D. records a grant made by Rudrapāla and Amritapāla, sons of Mahārāja Rāyapāla along with their mother, Rajūī Mānaladevi. The gift consists of two palikās of oil out of the share due to the royal family from each oil mill. The recipients were the Jaina ascetics in and outside of Nadūladāgika.º The Nādalāī stone inscription of 1138 A.D. refers to the reign of

^{1.} Catalogue of the Manuscripts in the Pattana Bhandaras, p. 370.

^{2.} E. I. Vol. XXIV, p. 84. 3. Ibid. 4. Kharatara-gachchha-Brihadgurvāvali, pp. 25-33.

E. I. Vol. XI, pp. 30-32.
 Ibid. pp. 34-35.

Mahāzīja Rāyapāla over Nadūladāgika and then records the gift of one twentieth part of the income derived from the loads leaving or entering Nadūladāgika by the Guhila Thākura Rājadeva for the worship of Neminātha.¹ The third Nādalāī stone inscription of 1143 A.D. is of the reign of Mahāzīja Rāyapāla when Rāula Rājadeva was the Thākura of Nadūladāgika. It records some benefaction of the temple of Mahāvīja.³ The fourth inscription of 1143 A.D. of this place of the reign of Mahāvīja Rāyapāla records that Rāula Rājadeva made a grant of one Vimsopaka from the Pailas (coin) according to him and two palikās from the bales of oil due to him from every ghāṇaka to this temple.³

Mahārāja Ālhanadeva, feudatorv of Kumārapāla obtained Kirāţakūpa, Lātarhada and Sivā in 1152 A.D. through the Izvour of his master. He also extended patronage to Jainism. He on the Swaratri day in 1112 A.D. thinking the granting of security to animals to be the highest gift issued injunctions for the increase of his spiritual merit and fame to the mahajanas, tāmbūlikas and other subjects, forbidding the claughter of living beings on the 8th, 11th and 14th days of both the fortnights of every month in the three towns named above and threatening with capital punishment those who killed or caused others to kill living beings.* The Brahmanas, priests, ministers and others were also ordered to respect this edict of non-slaus iter. And amongst these, he who commits the sin of taking life should be fined five drammas, but if the sinner be one attached to the king, he should be fined one dramma only. We know from the Nadol grant that Alhana and Kelhana were pleased to give to the Rajaputra Kirtipala 12 villages, appertaining to Nāḍalāī. In 1160 A.D. after bathing at Nāḍalāī and worshipping the sun and Maheśvara, Kirtipāla granted a yearly sum of two drammas from each of his twelve villages to Jina Mahāvīra at Nādalāī.5 This he had done either voluntarily or on the request of the Jainas. The Nadol grant of 1171 A.D. registers that Mahārāja Ālhanadeva of Nādūla worshipping the sun and Isana and making gifts to Brahmanas and Gurus, granted to the Jaina temple of Mahāvīra in the Sanderaka Gachchha at the holy place

^{1.} E. I. XI, pp. 37-41 2. Noticed by Kirlhorn, E. I. Vol. IX, p. 159.

Edited by Kielhorn, E. I. Vol. IX, pp. 63-66; re-edited Ram Karan I.A. Vol. XI, p. 146. 4. E. I. VOL. XI., pp. 43-46.

^{5.} Edited by KIELHOEN, E. I. Vol. IX, pp. 66-70.

(Mahāsthāna) of Nādula a monthly sum of 5 drammas to be paid from the custom house (sulkamandapikā) in the Nādulatalapada.1

Kelhanadeva, the son of Alhanadeva, also contributed to the progress of Jainism. The Sanderava stone inscription of 1164 A.D. in the reign of Kelhanadeva records that Anhalladevi, the queen mother, granted one plough of land to the Tirthankara Mahāvīra, Mūlanāvaka of the Sanderaka Gachchha.2 The Lalrai stone inscription of 1176 A.D. of the reign of Kelhanadeva states that the Rajaputras Lakhanapala and Abhayapala, the owners of Sinanava and sons of Kirtipala, made a grant conjointly with the queen Mahibaladevi in the presence of the village panchakula for celebrating the festival of the god Santinatha. The grant consisted of barley weighing one baraka as used as the country of Gurjaratra from the well of the village Bhadiyauva.8 The second Lalrai stone inscription of the same time speaks of the Rajaputras Lakhanapala and Abhayapala as the owners of Samnanaka. It then records that the cultivators Bhīvadā, Asadhara and others granted for their spiritual merit four seers of barley from the (field) called Khādisīra to the Tīrthankara Sāntinātha in connection with the festivals of the Gürjaras.* The second Sanderava stone inscription of 1179 A.D. of the reign of Kelhanadeva of Nadula records the gift of a column and house to the Tīrthankara Pārśvanātha, worshipped at Samderaka (Sanderāva) in the bhukti of the queen Jālhana by Rālhā and Pālhā. Those residing in the house must pay four draelas to the God.5

Kīrtipāla removed the Chahamān capital from Nādol to Jabālipura. Jainism made much headway even under the reign of Chahamānas of Jabālipura. The Jalore stone inscription 1182 a.D. of the reign of Mahārāja Samarasimhadeva, son of Mahārāja Kīrtipāladeva and grand-son of Mahārāja Ālhaṇa records that manḍapa was constructed by the Setha Yaśovīra of Srīmāla family who was joined in this work by his brother and all the members of the Goṣṭpā-8. Yaśovīra became the minister of Udayasimha, the successor Samarasimha. Another inscription of Jalore records that the temple of Parśvanātha built by Kumārapāla was rebuilt in 1185 a.D. by the Bhanḍāri Yaśovīra in accordance with the orders of Mahārāja Samarasimhadeva of the

Edited by Kielhorn, E. I Vol. IX, pp. 63-66; re-edited by Kam Karan, I.A.
 Vol. XL, p. 146.
 E. I. Vol. XI, pp. 46-47.
 E. I. Vol. XI, pp. 49-50.

^{4.} Ibid. pp. 50-51. 5. Ibid. pp. 51-52. 6. Ibid. pp. 52-54.

Chāhamāna family.¹ The inscription of 1245 A.D. referring itself to the reign of Chāhamāna king Chāchigadeva specified the contribution of 50 dramma; to the Bhandara of Mahāvīra of the Chandanavihāra by a Teliā Osavāla called Narapati.² Another inscription of 1275 A.D. records the gift of one Narapati to the temple of Pārsvanātha in the reign of Sāmantasimha.³

We thus see that under the liberal pattonage of the Chauhāna rulers, Jainism acquired a hold in the Marwar, Ajmer, Bijoliā and Sambhar regions of Rajasthan. Both Jainism and Hinduism continued to flourish side by side. There was no spirit of rivalry pr intolerance. The kings used to worship both Hindu gods and Jaina Tirthankaras and at the same time, used to participate in the affairs and fuzzetions of both the religions.

JAINISM UNDER THE CHĀVADAS AND SOLANKIS: Jainism enjoyed the patronage also of the Chāvadas and the Solankis. They were no doubt Saiva kings but honoured the Jaina saints and scholars also. Some rulets supported the Jaina faith with special regard. At about this time, Hemachandra's deep learning and pure life gave an impetus to Jainism in Rajasthan and Gujarat. He was a great leader and propagator of Jainism. For his depth of scholarship and purity of life, as also for his dynamic personality, he can be compared only with the great Sankarāchārya. It was as 1 result of his noble efforts that Jainism prospered both in Rajasthan and Gujarat.

The Chāvaḍa dynasty was established by Vanarāja, the founder of Anahilavāḍa. He invited Sīlaguṇasūri, a Jaina saint, with great honour. The saint had foretold the career of the king from noticing the marks on his body, while, as a baby, he was lying in his cradle in the forest. He placed his kingdom at the disposal of the Sūri but the selfless saint would not care for it. On the suggestion of Sūri, he constructed the temple of Pañchāsara in which he placed the image of Pañchāsara of Marudharadeśa to settle in Pattan, by affording to them many facilities.

Mülarāja Solankī acquired the kingdom of Anahilavāda from the last Chāvada descendant of Vanarāja in about 942 A.D. He was a very powerful ruler and ruled over a vast kingdom which consisted of Sārasvata

^{1.} PSAS. WC., 1908-09, p. 55. 2. Ibid. 3. Ibid.

^{4.} Prabandhachintāmaņi, Vanarāja-prabandha, p.15.

and Satyapuramandalas and parts of Cutch and Saurāshtra. He was a patron of Jainism and seems to have constructed the temple named Mülarājavasahikā:

Jainism prospered under Jayasinha and Kumārapāla who, with political motives, considered it necessary to enlist the support of Jainas who were well-known for their wealth and statesmanship. Jayasinha was no doubt a devotee of Saivite faith, but he had his leanings even towards Jainism. It is for this reason that he held an assembly in which a debate took place between the Digambara monk Kumudachandra and the Svetāmbara monk Devasūri in 1125 A.D.² To witness it, the people actually assembled from the border lands. He was a patron of scholars, and Hemathandra adorned his court for some time.

The successor of Jayasinha was Kumārapāla who gradually came under the influence of Hemachandra and at last, embraced Jainism. He took various steps for the propagation of Jainism; and in certain respects, he made his state a model Jaina state. He not only himself renounced the joys and pleasures prohibited by the Jaina scriptures but also induced his subjects to follow his path also. He issued an ordinance for the protection of animal life; and it was applied most strictly throughout his empire. The $Dvy3lraya-k\bar{a}vya$ says that in Palideśa in Rajasthan the Brāhmaṇas were forced to use corn instead of flesh in sacrifice and the ascetics who used to wear antelope skin found it hard to procure it. Merutunga in the $Y\bar{u}k\bar{s}-vib\bar{t}xa-prabandha$ also mentions that a simple minded merchant of Sapādalaksha was given the punishment of building the Yūkāvihāra at the cost of the whole of his fortune for committing the offence of crushing a mouse. But it is evidently an exaggerated account amounting to ridicule.

Kumārapāla was also a great patron of learning and established twentyone Sāstrabhaṇdāras in the different parts of his empire. He was also a great builder. Merutunga speaks of 1440 temples built by him in

Prabandhachintāmaņi, Mūlarāja-prabandha, p. 22.

^{2.} Prabhāvakacharitra pp. 171-182. Prabandhachintāmani pp. 78-82,

^{3.} Prabhandachintāmaņi, p. 110.

^{4.} Prabhāvakacharitra (Hemachandra-prabandha) p. 92.

varibus provinces.¹ It seems to be merely an exaggeration but the fact of his having built a large number of temples cannot be ignored. From the inscription of 1134 A.D., we know that he built the Jaina temple at Jalore.¹

After the death of Kumārapāla, the Jaina community faded into political obscurity but continued to be otherwise powerful and wealthy. Again under Vimala, Vastupāla and Tejapāla, it gained the political power. They were devout Jainas and they had done their best to consolidate Jainism-Vimala was appointed as the governor by Chālukya King Bhīma I after ousting Dhandhu(ka) who took refuge in Malwa. It seems that Vimala sent for Dhandhu and reconciled him to Bhīma. After that by the orders of Dhandhu, he constructed the temple of Ādinātha in 1032 A.D. at Ābu which is among the architectural wonders of the world.

Vastupāla and Tejapāla were at árest ministers of Bhīma and the latter at the request of Vīradhavala gave the 1.1 to the Vāghela prince as a token of friendship. In stee time of Somasinha, Tejapāla the younger brother of Vastupāla, built the temple of Neminātha, named Lāṇavasahī, in the memory of his son Lūṇasinha, in 1230-A.D. For the worship of that temple, Samarasinha gave the village of Dabāṇī in Sirohi state.

JAINISM UNDER THE PARAMĀRAS: The Patamāra rulers also patronized Jainism like other Rājapūta rulers. An inscription cé 967 A.D. in the Jaina temple at a village named Dīyāṇā in Sirohi state records that during the reign of Kṛishṇarāja, the image of Vīranātha was set up by Vardhamāna belonging to the Vishṭita family. This inscription is very important as it determines the date of Kṛishṇarāja also. He was the Paramāra ruler of Ābū, son of Āraṇyarāja and grandson of Urpalarāja. This is the oldest inscription of the Paramāra rulers of Ābū.

There is an inscription in the temple of Mahāvīra at Jhādolī which records that the wife of Paramāra king Dhārāvarsha named Śringāradevī gave land to the temple in 1197 AD. An inscription of 1243 AD. records a grant to the temple of Pārśvanātha during the reign of Ālhanasinha, king of Chandrāvatī. In 1288 AD., during the reign of Mahārāja Visaladeva, Sārangadeva of Chandrāvatī, the Paramāra Thākuras namely Śrī Pratāpa and

^{1.} Prabandhachintamani, p. 115.

^{3.} Rājaputānā kā Itihāsa, p. 200.

^{5.} Ibid. No. 311.

PRAS. WC; 1908-09; p. 55.

^{4.} APJLS, No. 486,

^{6.} ARRMA, 1909 To No. 22

Śrī Hemadeva of the village Datrānī gave two pieces of land to meet the expenses of the temple of Pārśvanātha.¹ Suhadasinha, the son of Rāvala Mahīpāladeva, gave 400 drammas to this temple for performing some religious function. From the inscription of 1334 A.D. at Dīyāṇā, we know that the king Tejapāla and his minister Kūpā constructed a cistern and gave it to the temple of Mahāvīra.³

Jainism spread under the Paramāras of Malwa. The ruler of this place named Naravarman was himself a devotee of siva but he was tolerant of other religions especially Jainism. When Jinavallabhasūri was at Chittore, two Panditas from the south came to his court with a problem. The scholars of his court tried to solve the problem but the southern scholars were not satisfied. But at last, the king forwarded the problem to Jinavallabhasūri who immediately solved it.8 From Chittore, he came to Dhārā. The king invited him to his place where he listened to his religious discourses. So pleased was he with his extraordinary poetic talent that he offered him the choice of accepting either three villages or 300000 pārustha drammas. Jinavallabha accepted neither. He requested instead that Naravarman should grant two pāruttha drammas daily from the customs house of Chittore for the maintenance of its two Kharatara temples. This brief notice is historically important as giving us some idea of the extent of the Paramāra kingdom and the political status of Mewar.

The Paramāras ruled over a considerable part of modern Rajasthan. Their rule extended to Mewar, Sirohi, Kotah and Jhalawar states where Jainism was very popular in those days; and the noble Jaina monuments of that period are still standing side by side with the Hindu monuments.

JAINISM UNDER THE RATHORAS OF HATHUNDI: Hathundī is a place near Bijāpur in Marwar. The Rāthoras ruled here during the tenth century A.D. Generally, they were the followers of Jainism. Vidagdharāja, son of Hativarman, at the preaching of Vāsudevāchārya, built a temple of Rishabhadeva here and also made a gift of land to it. His son Mammaṭa made a grant for this temple. His son was Dhavala who also renovated the Jaina temple built by his grandfather and helped in every way to glorify Jainism. He in conjunction with his son made a gift of a well called Pīppala.

^{1.} APJLS No. 55. 2. Ibid. No. 490. 3. Kharataragachchha Brihadgurvāvali, p. 13.

Dhavala renounced the world in his old age after having placed his son Balaprasāda on the throne. The gaubthī of Hastikundī also renovated this temple. After its restoration, the installation ceremony of the image was performed by Sāntibhadra, the pupil of Vāsudevāchārya, in 1053 A.D.; and several Srāvakas participated in it. These Rāshṭrakūṭas weighed themselves in gold and distributed it among the poor as charity.¹

JAINISM UNDER SÜRASENAS: Sürasenas ruled over the region now included in Bharatpur state from the 6th century to the 12th century A.D. Jainism developed much here at this time. Some or the Sürasena rulers accepted and patronized it. Several images are known to have been installed here. The Jaina Ächäryas visited it and some of them had also their residence here.

As Jainism was prevalent in Machura in early times, it may have been in existence here also. But old monuments were destroyed by the Muslims. The earliest trace of Jainism here is known from the tenth century A.D. Pradyumnasūri who was the contemporary of king Allata of Mewar was honoured in the courts of Sapadalaksha and Tribhuvanagiri.2 Ghanesvarasūri was initiated to Jaina monkhood by Abhayadevasūri, pupil of Pradyumnasuri. Ghaneśvarasūri was famous as Kardamabhūpati of Tribhuvanagiri. Whether Kardama was his name or title, it is not known. He founded Rajagachchha. He is said to be a contemporary of the king Munja of Malwa who died in 997 A.D.³ This Kardamabhüpati may be identified with the ruler Prithvipāladeva alias Bhartripatta mentioned in the Thākardā (Dungarapur) inscription of Anamgapaladeva of 1155 A.D.* This inscription mentions the four princes, namely, Prithvīpāladeva alias Bhartripatta, his son Tribhuvanapāladeva, his son Vijayapāla and his son Sūrapāladeva. The family to which they belonged is not mentioned but they seem to be the Surasena rulers. The inscription of 994 A.D. on the image of a Jina found at Bayana says that it was caused to be made in accordance with the instructions of Surasena of apparently the Vagada Samgha by three brothers Simhaka, Yasorāja and Nonnaika.5 The pedestal of a Jaina image with the inscrip-

^{1.} NJI., Pt. I, No. 898.

^{2.} Peterson's Reports 3, pp. 158-162.

^{3.} Jaina Sähityano Samkshipta Itihäsa, pp. 197-198.

^{4.} ARRMA., yr. 1215-16, p. 3.

PRAS. Wc., 1909—10., p. 52.

tions of 994 A.D. and one Digambara Jaina image of Mahavira with head missing bearing an inscription of 1004 A.D. have been discovered at Katara.

Durgadeva, the Digambara Jaina poet, finished the Ristatamuchebara at Kumbhanagara ruled over by Lakshminivasa in the fine temple of Santinātha in 1032 A.D.2 Kumbhanagara may be identified with Kāmā near Bharatpur. As regards the king named Lakshminivasa, he may be identified with Lakshmanarāja, the son of Chitralekhā, mentioned in the Bayanā inscription of v.s. 1012.3 The Bayana stone inscription of 1043 A.D. contains the names of Vishpusuri and Mahesvarasuri, the Jaina teachers of the Kāmyakagachchha of the Svetāmbaras, and records the death of Mahesverasūri during the reign of prince Vijayapāla.4 Vijayapāla is said to have rebuilt and added to the fort and to have named it after himself as Vijayamandiragadha. The Kāmyakagachchha originated from Kāmā in Bharatpur state and remained confined only to this area. The mention of the city of Srīpatha in the inscription clearly points out that the ancient Sanskrit name of Bayana was Srīpatha. Jaina images with the inscription of 1136 A.D. have been discovered at Naroli in Bayana Tehsil.5 These images prove that they were consecrated at the same time.

The last Sürasena ruler of Bayānā was Kumārapāla who came to the throne in about 11,4 A.D. He was preached by the Jaina monk Jinadattasuti. The ceremony of placing the golden kalais and flag on the temple of Sāntinātha was performed here by Jinadattasuri with great rejoicings.6 The two disciples of Jinapatisūri, namely, Jinapāla-gaṇi and Dharmaślla-gaṇi, used to study with Yaśobhadrāchārya of this place. After getting information from Jinapatisūri, they went on pilgrimage along with the Saringha of Tribhuvanagiri and met their teacher along with the other Saringha in 1188 A.D.? Vādidevasūri who lived in the latter half of the 12th century defeated some learned scholar in the fort of Tribhuvanagiri.9 An old temple of Upakeśagachchha was also there. All these facts indicate that Jainism was flourishing under the Sürasenas in this area at this time.

^{1.} ARRMA., 1909-10., No. 1 & 2.

^{3.} E. I. Vol. 22, p. 120.

^{5.} PRAS. WC., 1920-21, p. 116.

^{7.} Ibid. 34.

^{9.} Ibid.

^{2.} Singhi Jaina Series, Vol. 21 (Introduction).

^{4.} I. A. Vol. 21, p. 57.

^{6.} Kharataragachchha Brihadgurvāvali, p. 19.

^{8.} Bhāratīya Vidyā, Vol. 2, part 1, p. 62.

JAINISM IN THE DIFFERENT STATES OF RAJASTHAN

Jainism was in existence in the different parts of Rajasthan in early times. Even after the formation of the states, it continued to flourish under the patronage of their rulers. Temples were constructed and images were placed in them with great ceremony. The Jaina monks enjoyed the greatest respect and regard of both the kings and the masses of these states. Such was the dominance of Jainism that some rulers and most of the people began to observe the doctrine of abimus.

JAINISM UNDER MEWAR RULERS: Jainism enjoyed the patronage of several Mewar rulers. Such was the powerful hold of Jainism that some of the rulers, though not Jainas, construved Jaina temples and installed images in them. They gave them charities of different kinds. They invited the Āchāryas and offered them royal reception. Influenced by their discourses they issued an ordinance for the observance of the doctrine of abimsā. The Jaina ministers also constructed several beautiful Jaina temples.

Rāṇā Bhartribhatta was ruling in 943 A.D.¹ He founded the town of Bhartripura after his name. He built the Guhilavihāra and placed the image of Adinātha in it through Būdāgaṇi of Chaitrapurtya Gachchha.³ The minister of his son king Allaṭa constructed a Jaina temple at Āghāṭa in which the image of Pārśvanātha was installed by Yaśodeavsivīi of the Saṇḍeraka Gachchha in the 10th century. Jinaprabodhasūrī was a contemporary of Mahātāvala Kshetrasiriha of Chittore.³ When Jinaprabodha came to Chittore, Brāhmaṇas, ascetics, the chief among the Rājaputras, Kshetrasiiha and Karṇarāja all combined to receive the Āchārya there in about 1277 A.D.²

Samarasiniha, the ruler of Mewar and his mother, Jayatallädevī were greatly influenced by the discourses of Devendrasūri and became his devotees. Probably, it was due to his advice that Jayatallädevī, queen of lord Tejasiniha of Medapāṭa and Chitrakūṭa constructed the temple of Pārśvanātha as we know from the Chittoragarh inscription of 1278 A.D.⁵ It also states that Mahārāvala Samarasiniha Deva, the adornment of Guhilaputra family, I. ARRMA, vr. 1814, No. 1.

^{2.} Jaina Sätya Prakāša, yr. 7, Dipotsavānka, pp. 146-147.

Jaina Sahityano Samkshipta Iitihāsa, p. 193.

Kharataragachchha Brihadgurvävali, p. 56.
 ARRMA, yr. 1922—23, No. 8.

granted land to the west of the temple for a monastery to Pradyumnasūri with some endowments. Another inscription of the time of the Guhila king Samarasimha records the grant of land to a Jaina temple belonging to the Bhartripuriya Gachchha for the spiritual welfare of his mother, Jayatalladevi, who received religious instructions from Sadhvī Sumala.1 Besides, being encouraged and advised by Suriji, Samarasimha had also issued an ordinance prohibiting the slaughter of animals in his kingdom. This ordinance also refers to the fact that the people would abstain from taking wine and would strictly follow the rules of justice and religion. Tejāka, son of Rāṇā, accompanied by his wife, Ramadevi and his son, Vijayasimha set up a Jaina image for the welfare of Javatalladevi as we know from the inscription of 1306 A.D. on the image in the temple of Pratapagarh.2

Gunaraja, the cashier of King Maukala, built the temple of Mahavira by his master's orders in 1428 A.D.3 At Nagda, there is a temple of Parsvanatha which was constucted by a certain trader of the Poravala caste in 1429 A.D. according to the inscription.4

After Rānā Maukala, his son Kumbhakarana became the ruler who was a great supporter of Iainism. Not only many images and temples were built and installed in his reign but he himself also built the most remarkable Jaina temple at Sādadī. 6 The Jaina Kīrtistambha at Chittore was built by Punnasimha, the son of Iijā of the Bagheravāla caste, at the persuasion of his daughter in the 15th century.6 That Mahārānā Kumbha permitted the construction of a Jaina Kirtistambha inside the fort is a concrete and unmistakable evidence of his respectful attitude towards Jainism. famous Chaumukha temples of Ranapura and Kamalagadha were constructed in his reign. The inscription of 1434 A.D. engraved on a loose stone lying in a Jaina monastery at Delavada in the Udaipur State records that during his victorious reign, 14 tanakās were allotted for the worship of Dharmachintāmani temple.7 In Adbhudajī temple at Nāgdā, a colossal image of Santinatha was set up in 1437 A.D. by a merchant named Saranga in his reign."

ARRMA, vr. 1922-3, No. 9.

^{2*} ARRMA vr. 1921-22, No. 3.

^{5.} History of Indian Architecture, p. 240.

^{6.} Anekānta yr. 8, No. 3. p. 139.

^{3.} Madhuaprānta, Madhuabhārata aura Rājaputane ke Prachina Jaina Smaraka, p. 137.

^{4.} PRAS. Wc., 1904-05, p. 62.

^{7.} ARRMA, 1923-24, No. 7.

^{8.} PRAS. WC., 1905, p. 61,

The inscription of 1448 A.D. on a pillar in the Jaina temple now known as Singārachaurī at Chittore records the erection of a temple of Jaina Tīrthankara Sāntināha by Bhaṇdār Velāka, son of Sāha Kelhā, the treasury officer of Rāṇā Kumbakaraṇa.¹ An inscription engraved on the image lying in the Jaina temple at Vasanatagadh states that the image was set up in the Vasanatapura Chaitya by Bhādāka, son of Dhansī, and was consecrated by Muni Sundarasūrī in 1453 A.D.³ An inscription of 1461 A.D. engraved on the pedestal of a big brass image of Ādinātha at Achalagarh on Mt. Ābū records that while Mahārājādhirāja Kumbhakaraṇa was ruling at Kumbhalameru, the image was made at Dungarapur during the reign of Rāvala Somadāsa and brought to Ābū by the Sanigha of Tapāgachchha.³

Jainism continued to flourish in the seign of Rāṇā Rāṇamala who was the son of Rāṇā Kumbha. An inscription from Udaipur of 1499 A.D. speaks of the erection of temples dedicated to Maḥāvīra, Ambikā and so forth in the victorious reign of Rāṇā Rāṇamala. From the image inscription of Ādinātha at Nādlāī, it is known that the extension of the installation of the image was caused to be made by Sihā and Samadā whose grand-father Sāyara had previously rebuilt the subsidiary cells through the orders of Pṛithvīrāja, the eldest son of Rāṇamala, the ruler of Mœwa.

Mahārāṣ Pratāpa, the greatest hero among the Rajpuṭ, wrote a letter to Hīravijaya requesting him to visit Mewar for propounding the Dharma. This letter written in the old Mewārī in 1578 A.D. is a very important document in the history of Jaina religion. This shows that though incessantly engaged in warfare for the defence of his homeland against the imperial aggressions of Akbar, Pratāpa, the indomitable hero, did not ignore the nourishment of his own soul, as also of those of his people. The fact that the invitation was extended to the greatest Jaina saint of the period indicates the catholicity of his views and his love of Jainism. A long inscription, in Mārawārī language, of 1602 A.D. records a grant made apparently by Amarasinha who was the son of Mahārāpā Pratāpa.?

ARRMA., yr. 1920-21, No. 10.

^{3.} Ibid. yr. 1925-26, No. 8,

^{5.} PRAS. Wc., 1908-09, p. 43,

^{7.} PRAS, Wo., 1007-08, p. 48-49,

^{2.} Ibid. yr. 1923-24, No. 8.

PRAS. WC., 1905-06, p. 60.
 Rājaputānā ke Jaina Vīra, pp. 341-42.

Jainism enjoyed special royal patronage in the reign of Maharana Jagatasimha. The image at Nadoli and Nadlars have been installed by Javamala and the whole Samgha respectively in 1629 A.D. Hearing the virtues of Acharya Maharaja Devasūri, Maharana Jagatasimha invited him to spend his chāturmāsa (four months of rainy season) at Udaipur through his Prime Minister, Ihālā Kalvānasimha. Devasūri acceded to the request and came to Udaipur where he was welcomed with military honours as known to us from the Diguijayamahākāvya,8 Impressed by his preaching, the king became his firm devotee. He had prohibited the collection of customs revenue from the large congregation of the people held every year at Varakānā. He also issued an ordinance for the stoppage of the catching of fish or any other living creature from the Pichola and Udayasagara lakes of Udaipur, destruction of animals during the month of birth of Mahārānā and during the Bhadrapada month every year and destruction of animal life on the coronation day of the Mahārānā. He also ordered the repair of Jaina temples built by Kumbha Rana on Machinda-durga. Besides this, he worshipped the image of Rishabhadeva in the temple of Udaipur.4

The Jaina religion continued to enjoy the royal support even afterwards. The Chief Minister Dayālašāna of Mahārāṇā Rājasinha built the beautiful Jaina temple at Rājanagara and performed the consecration ceremony in 1675 A.D. through Vijayasāgara during his victorious reign.⁶

JAINISM IN THE STATES OF DUNGARAPUR, BANSWARA AND PRATARAGARH: These three states comp rised the Vägada region. Jainism enjoyed patronage and prospered under the rulers of these states. In their service, there were several Jaina ministers. They constructed a number of temples and celebrated the consecration ceremony of the images with pomp and show which attracted large crowds. Some manuscripts were also prepared under their patronage. So popular was Jainism for some time there that even oilmen and people of similar castes observed the doctrine of abinast out of respect for the Jaina population.

The existence of Jainism in this region as early as the 10th century is known to us from an inscription of 994 A.D. engraved on the Jaina image

PRAS, Wc., 1908-09, p. 46.

Ibid., p. 43.

^{3.} Singhi Jaina Series, Vol. 14 (Introduction). 4. Rūjaputānā ke Jaina Vīra, p. 341.

^{5.} Keśariyājī Tirtha kā Itihāsa, p. 27.

'lavati Srī Vāgata Sanighah'. The capital at that time was Vatapadra known at present as Baroda. The faith continued to thrive in this region which is indicated by the various evidences discovered there. On the rock of an ancient temple of Parsyanatha at this place, there are engraved figures of twenty four Tirthankaras. The inscription of 1307 A.D. on it tells us that it was installed by Iinachandrasūri of the Kharatara Gachchha.1 The image of Kesarivaii at Dhuleva in Mewar was carried from this place.

The ancient name of Dungarpur was Girivara. It was founded in about 1358 A.D. We know from the Pravasagī tikā traya of Jayananda written in 1370 A.D. that in his days, there were five Jaina temples and about nine hundred Jaina families living there.8 In 1404 a.v. Prahalada, the minister of Rāvala Pratāpasimha, constructed a Jaina temple.4 After that, Jainism continued to prosper during the reign of Gajapala. We have copies of the four manuscripts written in his reign, namely, the Panchaprasthenu-vishamabadavyākhyā 1423 A.D., Dyyāsrayamahākāvya Satīka 1428 A.D., Dvitiyakhandagranthāgratriava-Sakulagrantha 1429 A.D.; and Kathakola of 1420 A.D.5 From the inscription of 1469 A.D. on the wali of the Jaina temple of Antri, it is clear that his chief minister Sabha built the temple of Santinatha and established an alms-house at Antrī in 1438 A.D. In that temple he set up brass images of Santinatha.6 After Gajapala, his son Somadasa became the ruler. An inscription of 1461 A.D. engraved on the pedestal of big brass image of Ādinātha at Achalagarh on Mt. Ābū records that it was made at Dungarpur during the reign of Ravala Somadasa and brought to Abu by the Sampha of Tapa Gachchha; and Sabha with wife Karanade and their sons, Salha and Mālhā set up the image. The consecration ceremony was performed by Lakshmisagarasūri of Tapagachchha.7

After Sābhā, his son Sālhā became the chief minister of king Somadāsa. He gave liberal charities and in 1464 A.D. fed two thousand people everyday evidently at the time of famine." He repaired the temple of

- Dungarpur Rājya kā Itihāsa, p. 1.
- 3. Mevār Rājya kā Itihāsa, p. 42.
- 2. Dungarpur Rājya kā Itihāsa, p. 15.
- 4. Śri Mahārāvalarajata Jayanti Abhinandanagrantha, p. 397.
- 5, ARRA, yr. 1915-16.
- Śrī Mahārāvalarajata Jayanti Abhinandanagrantha p. 398.
- ARRMA, yr. 1929—30, No. 3.
- ARRMA, yr. 1925—26, No. 8.
- 9. ARRMA, yr. 1929-30, No. 3.

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Přívanātha at Giripura. He erected a manjapa and Dovakulikās in the temple built by Sābhā at Antri. He also set up there an image of Marudevi seated on an elephant. The consecration ceremoney of this newly built portion was performed by Somavijayasūri in 1468 4.D. He started to construct a big Jaina temple at his native place Thānā at a distance of five miles from Dūngarpur but it was not completed. From the Prasastis of manuscripts, it is known that Siddha-Huma-brihadaritti VIII, Śrī Sukumāla-nāmi-charitram and Kāvyakalpalatākavišikshāvritti were written during the reign of Rāvala Somadāsa.³ There is also the monument of the Jaina saint of his time.³ The consecration ceremony of the Jaina images was performed in 1462 A.D., and 1473 A.D. during his reign.⁴

The son of Rāvala Somadāsa was Gangadāsa who was succeeded by Udayasimha. There is an inscription of 1514 A.D. engraved on the wall of Jaina temple of Śāntinātha at Naugāmā (Banswara state) which states that it was built by the sons and grandsons of Dosī Champā of the Humbada caste during the reign of king Udayasimha³ That Jainism continued to thrive even in later times in the Dungarpur and Banswara states is evidenced by the images of the later period discovered here.⁶

Even in the Pratāpagarh State, the Jaina religion was in a flourishing condition. There are several inscriptions of the 14th or 15th century found on the images in the Jaina temples of Deoli, Jhānsadi and Pratāpagath. The inscription on the back of a brass image in the Jaina temple at Deoli of 1316 A.D. records Thākura Kheṭāka, resident of the town Dhandhaleśvaravātakū and of Śīmāla caste had the image of Pārśvanātha set up for the spiritual welfare of his father Thākura Phāmphā and mother Hānsaladevī. Even afterwards, Jainism continued to make phenomenal progress. An inscription, engraved on a slab built in the wall of a Jaina temple at Deolī, of 1715 A.D. records that the oilmen of the town agreed to stop working their mills for 44 days in a year at the request of Ṣāraiyā and Jīvarāja of the Mahājana community in the reign of Mahārāvala Pṛithvīsimha. Another

Dungarpur Rājya kā Itihāsa, p. 58.

ARRMA., vr. 1916-17.

^{4.} Dungarpur Rājya kā Itihāsa, pp. 70-71.

^{6.} Ibid. 1914-15.

^{8.} Ibid. 1921 - 22 No. 6.

Śri Mahārāvalarajata Jayanti Abhinandana Grantha, p. 399.

^{5.} ARRMA, yr. 1916-17, No. 5,

ARRMV, yr. 1921—22.

^{9.} Ibid. 1934-35 No. 17.

inscription in the temple of Mallinātha at Deolī of 1717 A.D. records that when Mahārājādhirāja Mahārāvala Prithīsimha was ruling at Devagarh and Pahādasimha was his heir-apparent, the temple of Mallinātha was built by Singhavī Vardhamāna, son of Singhavī Śrīvarsha and his wife Rukmi.¹ In the reign of Mahārāvala Sāmantasimha, the temple of Ādinātha was built by Dhanarūpa, Manarūpa and Abhayachandra in 1781 A.D.2 A grand cermony of the consecration of the images was also performed at Pratāpagarh in 1867 A.D.3

JAINISM IN THE KOTAH STATE: Jainism was prevalent in very early times in the region now included in the Kotah State. Padmanandi composed the Jambūdīvapanņatīi at Bārā. From this work, we know that Bārā was full of the Śrāvakas and Jaina temples. This city was in Pariyātra governed by a king named Śakti or Śānti who possessed noble character and true knowledge. This Bārā may be identified with Bārān in Kotah state. It was a centre of Jainism in the past as some old Jaina ¢emples are still found here. It also remained the seat of the Bhaṭṭiārakas of the Mūlasaringha at this time. This ruler may be identified with Saktikumāra of Mewar who ruled in 977 A.D. at Āghāṭa. The kingdom of his grandfather Bhartripaṭṭa II seems to have extended on the south-east up the border of Pratāpagarha. His son and successor Allaṭa was also a powerful ruler. Afterwards, Śaktikumāra obtained the glory and consolidated his kingdom. His kingdom might have included some portion of Kotah state.

At Sheragarh, three colossal Jaina images were set up by a Rajaput Saradāra in the eleventh century A.D. At present, these images are housed in a dilapidated building. From the inscription on the images, it is known that the city at that time was known as Koshavardhana.

There are the Jaina caves of the 8th or 9th century A.D. situated at a distance of three miles from Ramagarh. This place is fifty three miles north-east of Kotah. In early times, it was known as Śrīnagara. The hill is covered with a thick forest infested by tigers and lions and other wild life.

ARRMA, yr. 1934-35, No. 18.

Ibid. No. 20.

^{3.} संबत १८३४ माधशुक्का ६ श्री प्रतापगढ़ नगरे श्री कृदकुंदादि परम दिगम्बर उपदेशात् प्रतिष्ठितं इदं जिनबिंबं।

JUGAL KISHORE MURTHAR fixes the time of this work to be the eighth century A.D. See Purātana Jainavākvasūchi, p. 67.
 I. A., Vol. 21, p. 57.

^{6,} Ibid, 39, p. 186,

^{7.} ARRMA., 1916, p. 2.

^{8.} I. A., Vol. 32, 186.

^{9.} Kotah Rājya kā Itihāsa, p, 28.

Several Jaina monks like the Jaina monks of Ellora passed their time in isolation from busy towns and were devoted to a life of meditation and contemplation. Near the caves, there are several statues of Jaina Tirthankaras.

At Atru, a railway station on the Kotah-Bina railway and situated now in Kotah district, there are the ruins of several beautiful Hindu temples and also those of two exquisite Jaina temples. The inscriptions discovered in the Hindu temples show that they were constructed in the 12th and 13th centuries of the Christian era when the Paramāras of Dhārā were ruling over this area. It will not be unsafe to conclude that the Jaina temples are contemporary of the Hindu edifices; and under the liberal policy of the Paramāras of Dhārā, they existed side by side with the Hindu temples for the worship of Jaina community which was quite large at Atru at this time.

Twelve miles from Atru to the east is situated the ruined town of Kṛishṇavilāsa popularly known as Vilāsa on the bank of a small river known as Pārvatī. There are found a number of dilapidated Jaina and Hindu temples which seem to have been of the 8th to the 11th century A.D.

About 25 miles further east from Vilāsa, there is an old town of Śahābāda. Five miles from this town is a mound near the tank. At both these places, there are the ruins of both Jaina and Hindu temples which indicate that the followers of Brahmanical religion and Jainism lived in peace and amity in this region.

In 1689 A.D. at Chāndakhedī, near Kahānapura, during the reign of Aurangzeb when his Sāmanta Kishorasimha Chauhāna was ruling at Kotah, Kṛishnadāsa, a very rich merchant of the Bagheravāla caste, constructed a Jaina temple of Mahāvīra and celebrated the installation ceremony of the temple as well as images with his wives and sons. At this time, Aurangzeb was in the south where Kishorasimha was serving him faithfully. Even then repeated explanations were demanded as to why the temple was being built against the express imperial policy. But the local authorities continued to send evasive replies because they knew that the emperor's end was nigh.

JAINISM IN SIROHI STATE: In Sirohi State too, Jainism made marked progress. Its rulers patronized it beyond any shadow of a doubt. Temples were built and images were placed in them. Some of the rulers

Inscription on Yantra in the Jaina temple at Jaipur.

invited the religious Acharyas and followed their instructions both in letter and spirit.

This area was a centre of the Jaina religion. The Kalandari inscription of 1332 A.D. records a fast unto death by the members of a whole Sampha.1 They all gave up their worldly existence by abstaining from food. The names of those who thus immortalized themselves are given. This record bears an eloquent testimony to the deep and passionate faith of the people in the doctrines of Jainism in the 14th century A.D.

Tainism continued to grow and expand under the rulers of Sirohi. The inscription of 1408 A.D. in the temple of Mahavira at Pindwada records the installation of Vardhamana during the reign of prince Schaja.2 The fact that Ravamalla constructed the monastery of Rishabha in the reign of Raisimha in 1542 A.D. is known to us from the inscription engraved on a slab in the temple of Rishabha about three miles from Abu Road station.3 In 1546 A.D. during the reign of Durjanasala, two shrines for the merit of Lachhalade and Tejapālas respectively and in 1565 A.D. in the reign of Udavasimha, two shrines for the merit of Bai Gorangades and Lakshami? were constructed in the temple of Mahāvīra at Pindwādā.

While going to Fatcharur Sikri on the invitation of Akbar, Hiravijayasūri stayed at Sirohi where he was welcomed by king Suntānasimha. The king took a vow to refrain from drinking, hunting, flesh-eating and irregular sexual life. He also abolished some taxes on the advice of the Süri.8 An inscription on the temple of Sirohi tells us that the temple of Chaturmukha was built in the city of Sirohi during the reign of Mahārāja Rājasimha, son of Suratānasimha in 1577 A.D.9

In the reign of Akhairāja, Dharmadāsa erected the pādukā of Simhavijaya with the chaturvidha Samgha in 1662 A.D. at Vīravādā.10 It is the ancient name of Brāmhanavādā. In 1664 A.D., Udavabhāna¹¹ and Jagamāla¹² celebrated the consecration ceremony of the images Adinatha and Sitalanatha

^{1.} PRAS. WC., 1916-17, p. 67.

^{3.} Ibid., 1924-25, No. 10.

Ibid., No. 380.

^{7.} Ibid., No. 384.

APJLS, No. 250.

^{11.} Ibid., No. 243,

ARRMA., 1909—10, No. 3.

^{4.} APJLS., No. 379.

^{6.} Ibid., No. 383.

^{8.} Sūriévara aura Samrāt Akbar, p. 188.

^{10.} Ibid., No. 298.

^{12.} Ibid., No. 257.

respectively in his reign. At the same time, the whole Sanigha performed the installation ceremony of the image of the Kunthunātha at the place, Pekuyā I

In the year 1714 A.D., Pitha established the Pādukā of the Sūri in the reign of Mānasimha.³ During the same reign in 1730 A.D., Bhaṭṭāraka Chakreśvarasūri with other saints celebrated the installation ceremony for the good of others at Madāra.³ In 1819 A.D., king Śivasimha gave the amount of taxes imposed on animals and land in the village Bāmaṭavāḍa as Jāgīra to the Jaina temple.⁴

JAINISM UNDER THE RULERS OF JAILSALMER: Jainism flourished very well under the Bhații Rajaputs in the mediaval period in Jaisalmer. Owing to its location in the heart of the desert, this place remained safe and secure from the Muslim invasions. Several beautiful temples were built and humerous images were placed in them with great celebration. Even the kings also took much interest in the religious affairs by participating in various ceremoies. The pradukār of several Jaina Achāryas were installed. The straukas led the Sanighas to the places of pilgrimage. The Śstrabhandāras were founded for the preservation of the manuscripts here.

The former capital of Jaisalmer was Lodorva. In about 994 A.D., there was a king named Sāgara in whose time Jineśvarasūri, pupil of Vardhamānasūri of Kharatara Gachchha, came to this place. By his good wishes, two sons namely śridhara and Rājadhara were born, who constructed the temple of Pārśvanātha here. This temple was renovated in 1618 A.D. by Setha Thāharūśāha.

Jainism had a stronghold at Vikramapura (now called Bīkamapura) in Jaisalmer state from the early times. Specially, Karataragachchha remained dominant here. Āchāryas of this Gachchha visited this place from time to time and performed various religious functions. In about 1111 A-D-, Jinavallabhasūri visited Vikramapura. Jinapatisūri was born in 1153 A-D- at this place. He was initiated to monkhood in 1160 A-D- and was placed on paṭṭa in 1166 A-D- here. He initiated several persons to monkhood here from time to time. In 1175 A-D-, he performed the installation ceremony of the tikipa

APJLS., No. 504.
 Ibid., No. 101.
 Ibid., No. 304.
 NJI., pt. III, No. 2543.
 Ibid., No. 2544.

^{7.} Kharataragachchha Brihadguruvāvali, p. 13.

of bhānāāgārika Guṇachandra-gaṇi.¹ The Śrāvakas of this place participated in the Saringha led by Abhayakumāra to the holy places with Jinapatisuri from Aṇahilapaṭṭaṇa in about 1185 A.D.²

Jaisalmer was made the capital after the destruction of Lodorva-In 1283, A.D., Jinaprabhodhasūti visited Jaisalmer. He was warmly received by Mahārāja Karņa with his army. At his request, Sūriji spent his rainy season. Here also, during the reign of King Lakshmanasimha, the temple of Chintāmani Pārsvanātha was constructed on the preaching of the Āchārya Jinarājasūti in 1416 A.D. The image of Pārsvanātha brought from Lodorva was placed in this temple. After the construction, the building was named Lakshmanavilāsa. It indicates the love of the subjects towards the king under whom their religion must have flourished.

The successor of Lakshmana was Vayarasimha. In 1436 A.D., Pāsada with the members of his family set up an idol of Supārsvanātha in the temple of Chintāmāṇi during his reign.⁶ Sāha Hemarāja and Pūnā constructed the temple of Samt-navanātha in 1437 A.D. during his reign.⁶ The festivities in connection with the consecration ceremony took place in 1440 A.D. when Jinabhadra put three hundred idols of Sambhavanātha and of others. Even King Vayarasimha took part in the festivities. In his reign, Sāha Lolā with the members of the family set up the image of Pāršvanātha in the standing pose in 1440 A.D.⁷

Chāchigadeva was the son of Vayarasimha. He became the king in about 1448 A.D. In his reign, Sajāka, Sachoharāja and Sajāki celebrated the consecration ceremony of Nandītvarapatitkā, Satrihāya Giranārāvatāra Patitkā and Nandītvarapatitkā respectively through Jinachandrasūri in 1461 A.D.

Jainism made striking progress also during the the reign of Devakarana. Khetā of Sānkhavālechā gotra and Pañchā of Chopadā gotra constructed the two temples namely of Sāntinātha and Ashṭāpada respectively in 1479 ^{A.D.} during his reign. ¹¹ There was some sort of matrimonial alliance between these two rich persons. Sanghavī Khetā with his family made

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    Kharataragachchha-Bṛihadguruvāvali, p. 24.
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^{3.} Ibid, p. 58.

Ibid., No. 2114.

^{7.} Ibid., No. 2145,

^{9.} Ibid., No. 2117, 10. Ibid., No. 2119.

Ibid, p. 34.
 NJI, pt. III, No. 2112.

^{6.} Ibid., No. 2139.

^{8.} Ibid., No. 2116.

^{11.} NJI., pt. III, No. 2154,

pilgrimage to Satruñjaya, Giranāra and other Tīrthas many times. He also performed the consecration ceremony of the famous Tapapatithā of the temple of Sambhavanātha. Even in 1479 A.D., Dhanapati of Pātnata celebrated the pratishbā of Sāntinātha bimbā during his reign and established it in the Pārśvanātha temple. In the same temple, in 1479 A.D., Hemā³ and Bhīmasī³ made Jinavarendra Patishā in his time. The image of Marudevī was also crected at this time in the temple of Rishabha.4

The Jaina religion continued to progress in the time of the later rulers of Jaisalmer. During the reign of Bhitmesena in 1993 A.D., the Padukā of Jinakuśalasūri was erected by Samghavī Pāsadatta. The consecration ceremony of the pillar of Pārśwanātha temple was also performed in 1666 A.D. In 1615 A.D. during the victorious reign of Kalyāṇadāsa, Jinasimhasūri built the pādukā of Jinachandrasūri. Even in 1616 A.D., Mantri Todaramala constructed the door of Upātarā. In 1621 A.D., Jinasimhasūri came to Jaisalmer and celebrated the consecration ceremony of the image of Chintāmaṇi Pārśwanātha brought from Lodorva and placed it in the temple named Lakshmanavihāra. In the reign of Buddhāsimha, Gangārāma with his family installed the images at the preaching of Tattvasundara-gaṇi in 1712 A.D.10 In the reign of Akhaisimha in 1749 A.D. and in 1755 A.D., the Pūjyapādukā of Jinaudaisūri was erected by his disciples. 11

Mülarāja also patronized Jainism. In 1768 A.D., the stūpa of Jinayuktasuri was constructed. The Sangha established the stūpa of Jinakuśalasūri in 1783 A.D. through the discourses of Jinachandrasūri. To 1786 A.D., the thamba pādukā was erected and its consecration ceremony was celebrated by Pt. Rūpachandra. The pillar was erected over the remains of Pandita Śri Vardhamāna in 1784 A.D. To The whole Santgba constructed the temple of Rishabhadeva and its installation ceremony was celebrated by Pt. Rūpachandra in 1804 A.D. To In 1818 A.D., the pillar was raised on the remains of Jinachandrasūri. To

	NJI, pt. III, No. 2120.	2.	Ibid., No. 2404.	3.	Ibid., No. 2406,
	Ibid., No. 2400.	5,	Ibid., No. 2494.	6.	Ibid., No. 2595,
	Ibid., No. 2497.	8.	Ibid., No. 2447.	9.	Ibid., No. 2498.
	NJI, pt. III, No. 2501.	11.	Ibid., No. 2508 & 2509.	12.	Idid., No. 2503.
13.	Ibid., No. 2502.	14.	Ibid., No. 2510.	15.	Ibid., No. 2511.

Ibid., No. 2575.
 Ibid., No. 2504.

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Mūlatāja was succeeded by Gajasimha. During this reign, the initiation ceremony of Jinaudaisūri Achārya was performed by sampha in 1819 A.D.1 Fascinated by the discourses of Jinamahendrasūri, Gumānachanda, Savālrāma and Maganīrāma with their wives, sons and daughters went out on pilgrimage to Abū, Sikharajī etc. in 1834 A.D.; and there they organized feasts, worship, charity and rathoyatrā function.² Encouraged by Jagavišāla Muni, the desolated pādukā of Jinaharshasūri was repaired by the Osvālas who consecrated it through Mahārāvala Gajasimha.² In 1840 A.D., Samghavī Gumānamala with the members of the family, for personal merit, repaired the old Jaina temple near Amarasāgara and installed in it the image of Adinātha.⁴ The pādukā of Jitarangagani, pupil of Jinachandra, was placed by Jinamahendrasūri in 1844 A.D.⁵

Ranajīta Simha was the successor of Mūlarāja in whose reign, Jainism made further progress. Inspired by the discourses of Jitarangagani, the Samgha constructed the temple of Adinātha in 1846 A.D. and its installation ceremony was performed by Muni Dūngarsī. At Amarasāgara, the Sibunigha pādakā was put up by Jinamuktisūri in 1860 A.D. and it was consecrated through Sāhiba Chandra.

JAINISM IN JODHPUE AND BIKANEE STATES: Jainism flourished in Jodhpur and Bikaner states under the patronage of the Rāthoda rulers. During their reign, temples were constructed and images were installed in hem. These Rāthoda rulers had deep reverence for Jaina saints, and they often used to pay visits to them. The official reception was accorded to them on the occasion of their visit to their capitals.

The Jaina religion was quite popular at Nagara, three miles from Jalsola which was ruled by the descendants of Mallinātha, ruler of Kheda, the old capital of Jodhpur state. The Rāṭhoda rulers of this place were liberal in their outlook; and therefore, Jainism flourished exceedingly in their reign. Jaina temples were built and repaired. In 1459 A.D., Govinda Rāṭa gave donations to the temple of Mahāvīra on the advice of Modarāṭa-gaṇi during the reign of Raduda.* The inscription of 1511 A.D., in the temple of

^{1.} Ibid., No. 2504.

Ibid., No. 2585.

Ibid., No. 2499.

^{7.} Ibid., No. 2499.

^{2.} NJI, pt. III, No. 2530.

^{4.} Ibid., No. 2524.

^{6.} NJI., pt., III. No. 2518.

^{8.} NJI., No. 931.

Rishabha of the reign of Rāula Kushakaṇa records the erection of rangaman dapa of Vimalanatha temple by the Samgha of Viramapura.1 The nalimandapa of Santinatha was completed in 1557 A.D., when Raula Meghavijava was the king.2 The inscription of 1580 A.D. records the repairs of the temple when Rāula Meghavijaya was reigning and Parama Bhattāraka Srī Hīravijayasūri was the Pontiff who visited the court of Akbar.8 In the reign of Raula Teja Simha, the Saingha repaired the temple of Santinatha.4 The inscription in the temple of Rishabhadeva records some reconstruction in 1610 A.D. when Rāula Teja Simha was reigning and Bhattāraka Vijayadevasūri was the pontiff.5 The Jaina community of this place constructed a chatushkikā in the temple of Mahavira in 1621 A.D. through the favour of Nakoda Parsyanatha in the time of Raula Jagamala.6 In 1624 A.D. a nirgama-chatushkika together with three windows was constructed in the temple of Pārśvanātha by the Jaina community when Raula Jagamala was ruling.7

The Rathoda rulers of Jodhpur State followed the policy of religious toleration, so Jainism prospered under their rule. In 1612 A. D., during the reign of Sūrva Simha. Vastupāla with his wife and son celebrated the installation ceremony of the image of Parsvanatha.8 Bhama with his wife, sons and grandsons set up the image of Pārsvanātha at Kāpadā in 1621 A.D. when Gaja Simha was ruling.9 This inscription is important in so far as it points out to the fact that Kapada, the portion of Sirohi state at that time, was under the possession of the Rathoda ruler of Jodhpur. Most probably, it came under their sway when Surtana Simha was reduced to submission by Sürva Simha. It is clear from the inscriptions that new images were set up in the temples of Adinātha, Mahāvīra and Pārsvanātha by Jayamalla in 1626 A.D. during the reign of Gaja Simha at Jalor.10 The images were also installed at Merta11 and Pali12 in 1629 A.D. during hls reign. The inscription on the image of Merta says that Bai Purnamnya with his sons installed the image of Sumatinātha. From the inscription on the image of Pārśvanātha at Pālī, we learn that, when Gaja Simha was reigning and Amara Simha was the heir

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PRAS., WC., 1911-12, p. 54. 4. PRAS., WC. 1911-12, p. 54. 7. Ibid.

^{3.} Ibid. 6. Ibid.

PRAS., WC., 1908-09, p. 55.

Ibid. 8. NJI., No. 773. 9. Ibid. No. 981.

NJI., No. 783.

^{12.} PRAS., WC., 1907-08, p. 45.

apparent, this place was held by Chauhāna named Jagananātha, son of Jasavanta. The image was caused to be made by two brothers namely Dunigara and Bhakara, residents of Pāli itself and belonging to the Srīmāla caste. It seems that the Chauhāna ruler Jagananātha of Pāli acknowledged suucerainty of the Rāṭhoḍa rulers of Jodhpur and patronized Jainism or at least allowed it to flourish in his state.

In 1737 A.D., in the reign of Mahārājā Abhai Sinha, when Bakhata Sinha and Bairī Sāla were ruling over Mārotha, a great ceremony of the inauguration of the temple of Sāha and the images was held.¹ This function was performed by Rāma Sinha who was the dīvāna. This inscription is of great historical significance as it indicates that Mārotha then was not an independent unit but came under the possession of the Rāṭhoḍas of Jodhpur. In the reign of Rāma Sinha, son of Abhai Sinha, Giradhara Dāsa constructed the temple at Bilāḍā in 1746 A.D.¹ In 1767 A.D., a ratheyātrā function was held with great rejoicings during the reign of his feudatory ruler named Hukama Sinha, a Meratiyā Rājapūta when Bhaṭṭāraka Vijayakīrti visited Mārotha.

Bīkājī with his followers left Jodhpur and founded Bikaner in about 1488 A.D. He and his successors showed respect towards Jainism and its ascetics. Mahārājā Rāya Simha, who was contemporary to Akbar, became a disciple of Jinachandra Sūri. At the request of his minister Karama Chandra, he brought 1050 Jaina images of Sirohi from Akbar in 1582 A.D. which

Inscription on a pillar in the temple of Māroţha which is at a distance of six miles from Kuchāmana Road station.

संवत १७९४ माहसुदी १३ वदीतवारे महारोठ नगरे महाराजाधिराज महाराजा वर्गीसहुदी तत प्रसादित राठोड वी बल्तिसह वेरीसाल राज्ये श्री मूलसंघे नंद्यान्नाये बलात्कारराज्ये सरस्वतीगच्छे बुंदबुंदवायांन्वये मंद्रजावार्यं श्री रत्नाकीति तत्यट्टे मंद्रजावार्यं श्री अनन्तकीति आम्नाय खंडेळवालेन गोमेन साह गिरफर तत्युत्र साह रामसिंह तस्य भाषा रायसुरे तत्युत्र बौलतीराम साहिब राम, गंगाराम साह रामसिंह विंबं प्रतिच्छा करायिता।

^{2.} NJI , No. 937.

^{3.} संबत १८२४ का मीति आसाड सुवी १० दिने भीमय् महारक श्री विजयकीति महाराज महारोठ नगरे मध्ये चतुर्मास कियो । महाराज श्री विजयमित्रकी तरप्रसादात मेक्स्याराजी श्री हरिसिङ्की, राजी श्री यावांत-सिङ्की, राजी श्री सालीमसिङ्की, राजी श्री दीपसिङ्की, समर्रासङ्की, जीवणसिङ्की, हुकमसिङ्की राज्य प्रवर्तमाने —श्री रचयात्रा उच्छव मलीकांति रंजायत मित्रा ।

were looted by Turāsanakhān and thus saved them from destruction.\(^1\) This is evidently an exaggerated account. Turāsanakhān had probably nothing to do with Akbar. He might have been a local fanatic chief who indulged in iconoclasm. Karama Chandra celebrated the Yugaprdbānapadotsava of Jinachandra Sūri at Lahore in which Mahārājā Rāya Siniha with Kumvara Dalapata Siniha participated and presented many religious manuscripts to Sūriji.\(^3\) Mahārājā Rāya Siniha had good relations with Jinasiniha Sūri who was the Paṭṣṭadbara of Jinachandra Sūri. In his reign, Hammīra with the members of his family established the image of Neminātha in 1603 A.D.

Karna Simha became the ruler in 1631 A.D. Jainism continued to grow during his reign. He granted land for the construction of the Jaina Upāsara. The relations of Mahārājā Anūpa Simha with Jinachandra Sūri and the Jaina poet Dharmavardhana were intimate and cordial. The poet Dharmavardhana Sūri composed a panegyric in Rājasthānī language on the coronation ceremony of king Anūpa Simha who was a renowned patron of art and literature. Between Jinachandra and the several rulers of Bikaner such as Mahārājā Anūpa Simha, Jorāvara Simha, Sajana Simha and Gaja Simha, there was a considerable correspondence. Mahārājā Sūrata Simha became the ruler in about 1765 A.D. He was devoted to Jaina saints. He used to regard Jīāānasāgara as the Avatāra of Nārāyana. He granted land for the construction of a number of Jaina Upāsaras. He had very great respect for Dādāsāhiba and gave the land of 150 bīghās to meet the expenses of the worship of Dūdāji. He was succeeded by Mahārājā Ratana Simha in 1828 A.D. He continued to show respect towards Jaina teachers and Jainism.

JAINISM IN JAIPUB STATE: The Jaina religion also prospered under the Kachchhävä rulers of Jaipur who extended patronage to it. About fifty Jainas acted as drāmas in the State, and under their patronage various copies of the Jaina scriptures were prepared; a large number of temples were constructed; and the consecration of the images was celebrated. At the same time, Jainism flourished in the different parts of the Jaipur State in the Jagiradrārīs of several powerful thātwas.

^{1.} Bikanera Jaina Lekha Saingraha, p. 27. (Introduction).

^{2.} Ibid., p. 7.

^{3.} Bikanera Jaina Lekha Samgraha, pp. 8-11 (Introduction).

Jaipur State remained the stronghold of the Jaina religion in the medieval period. In 1538 A.D., during the reign of Karama Chanda, a copy of Bhavishyadattasharitra was written. Copies of the Pāydavapurāṇa² and Harivamita-purāṇa² were written in the temple of Neminātha in 1559 A.D. during Bhāramala's rule. After Bhāramala, Bhagavāna Dāsa became the ruler. In his time, the copy of the Vardbamānacharitra was written at Mālapurā.

Jainism continued to develop in the reign of Māna Simha. In his reign, the copy of the Harivanhiaparāna was written in the temple of Ādinātha at Mālapurā in 1388 a. D.5 In his time, Thāna Simha of Khaṇdelavāla caste led the Samgha to Pāvāpurī in Bihar where he performed the installation ceremony of the Shoḍalakārana Yantra in 1391 A. D.6 The inscription of 1603 A.D. on the large pillar states that during the reign of emperor Akbar and his feudatory Māna Simha, the pillar was erected by Bhaṭṭāraka Chandra-ktrīt residing at Champāvatī' known as Chātsu. The two copies of the Harivanhiapurāna were written in 1604 A.D. and 1603 A.D. respectively at Rājamahala and Sangrāmapura (modern Sāngāner) in his reign. The inscription of 1607 A.D. points out that the consecration ceremony of the inscription of a large scale was celebrated at Maujamābad by Jetā with his sons and grandsons when Māna Sinha was ruling. 10

Jainism also continued to develop even in the reign of Mirzā Rājā Jaya Sinha. There is an inscription of 1654 A.D. engraved on a slab in the Digambara Jaina temple of Godā at Sāngānera of the time of the emperor

 ^{1.} P. S., p. 148.
 2. Ibid., p. 126.

 3. Ibid., p. 77.
 4. Ibid., p. 170.

^{5,} Ibid., p. 73,

^{6.} संबत १९४८ वैशास मास पावापुरी नग्ने श्री राजा मानसिंह श्री मुलसंघे भट्टारक श्री प्रभावन्य तथा मंडलायां श्री वर्षाच्य तत् मंडलावार्ष श्री लिलतकीति मुद्रारक श्री चन्नकीति गुरुपदेशात् संडलवाल सावडा योज सार भनराज नुभावां सुहागदेवी नुशुच सा पदारच तत सा हेमराज तत् प्राची हरसाये पदारच नार्या पाटनते तत्त्रम् ताह छाजुराम तत भावां मीना पृत्र सा सहसमक तत् मानसिंह तत् वानसिंह नित्य प्रमानित ।

^{7.} ARRMA., 1927-28, No. 11. 8. P. S., p. 72. 9. Ibid., p. 72.

^{10.} संबत १६६४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ बिद १ सोमबारे कुसनवंशे महाराजाधिराज मानांसह राज्ये म. श्री प्रमाचनक तत्त्वहुँ महारक श्री चन्द्रकीति तत् एट्टे म. श्री देवेन्द्रकीतिस्तदाम्नाये सहेळवालान्यये योघागोत्रे सं नानु जैतन वैत्यालय गुस्तर प्रतिष्ठा कराणिता पाटोदी गोत्रे सा भागा तद्भागां सरूपदे तयो पुत्र प्रमम सा रायभल, हि रेखा, तृतीय सा जेता तत्तुत्र वनवीर, रूपसा, तत्तुत्र नरहरि, अयवंत, मनोहर, संगराना मोजमाबाद मध्ये येसा नित्यं प्रमानित.

Shāhjahān and Rājā Jaya Simha.¹ The inscription in the Jaina temple at Amber says that the Chief Minister, Mohana Dāsa, of Jaya Simha of Khaṇḍel-wāla caste built the temple of Vimalanātha at Ambāvati (Amber) and adotned it with golden kalala. It further mentions that in 1659 A.D., when Mahā-rājādhirāja Mahārājā Jaya Simha was ruling at Ambāvatī as a great feudatory of empetor Shāṇhān, some additions were made to the temple by the Chief Minister of Mahārājā Jaya Simha.²

Sawāi Java Simha, the celebrated scholarly ruler of Jaipur, was served by three Jaina dīvānas namely Rāma Chandra Chhābarā, Rāvā Kripā Rāma and Vijava Rāma Chhābarā. These statesmen tried their best for the propagation of the Jaina religion. Rama Chandra constructed the Jaina temple at Shāhabāda midway between Jaipur and Rāmagadha. He and his son Kisana Simha participated in the function of the Patta ceremony of the Bhattāraka Devendrakīrti. It is described in the lakarī of Bhattāraka Devendrakīrti, composed by Nemichanda.3 Rāva Kripā Rāma also took a keen interest in religious affairs. He built a Jaina temple at Chātsu. The big Jaina temple in the Chākasū kā Chauka at Jaipur was constructed by him. He also constructed a Chaityalaya for worship in his house. Besides, he participated in the function of the patta ceremony of the Bhattaraka Mahendrakīrti and sprinkled water over his head. This is written in the Jakarī of Mahendrakīrti composed by Pt. Akhai Rāma.* Vijaya Rāma got the Samyaktvakaumudī written and presented to Pt. Govardhana in 1740 A.D.5 The copy of the Karmakandasatika was also written in his reign.6

Even during the troubled reign of Sawāi Mādho Simha, the Jaina religion continued to thrive. He was also served loyally like his father by several Jaina statesmen. Bāla Chandra Chhābarā became the Chief Minister of Sawāi Mādho Simha in 1761 A.D. Before him, an intolerant Brāhmaṇa,

^{1.} ARRMA., 1925-26, No. 11.

^{2.} Ibid., 1933-34, No. 13.

संघही अजितदास जी आइया, दीवाण रामचन्द्र किशनचंदजी ।
 (Gutakë No. 189 in the temple of Patodi at Jaipur):

जयकार सबद उचार करता कलशामस्तक ढालिया, श्री रावकुपाराम जी निज सुजस जगविस्तारिया । (Guţakā, No. 189 in the temple of Pāţodī at Jaipur).

^{5.} Copy of this manuscript in Amerabhandara.

⁶ PS., p. 7.

named Syāma Rāma had destroyed many Jaina temples. Bāla Chandra gave a new life to Jainism. He renovated the old Jaina temples and constructed several new ones. In 1764 A.D., Indradbraia Pājā Mabotsava was celebrated at Jaipur by the efforts of Bāla Chandra who had a great influence in the State. The State provided all help and facilities for this function.\(^1\) Drūāna Ratana Chanda Sāha built a Jaina temple and participated in Indradbraija Pājā Mabotsava. Nanda Lāla constructed the Jaina temples at Jaipur and Sawāimādhopura. He also celebrated the installation ceremony of the images on a large scale as advised by Bhaṭṭāraka Surendraklrti in the reign of Pṛṭthvī Simha in 1769 A.D. at Sawāimādhopura.\(^2\) Dīvāna Keśarī Simha Kāsalivāla built the beautiful Jaina temple of Siramoriyā at Jaipur. Kanhaiyā Rāma built the Jaina temple known as \(^1\)Vaiddyonkā Chaityālaya' at Jaipur in the time of Mādho Simha.

Rāja Chandra Chhābarā, son of Bāla Chandra, served Jagata Simha as his Chief Minister. He was a man of religious inclinations. He led the Samgha to many holy places. He was, therefore, given the title of Samghapati. He performed the Yantra Pratishhā at Junagada as advised by Bhaṭṭāraka SurendrakIrti in 1801 A.D.³ On the instruction of the same Bhaṭṭāraka, in 1804 A.D., he performed the consecration ceremony of the images on a large scale at Jaiput. Bakhata Rāma also remained the Dīvāna of Jagata Simha. He took much interest in matters of religion. He built the Jaina temple in Chodārāstā at Jaipur which is known as the temple of Yati Yalodā Nandajī. He constructed the Jaina temple at Durgāpurā known as the temple of

Viravāni pp. 29-30. An invitation letter was sent to different places for Indradāvaja Pājā Mahotsava.

थाकै पूजाजी कै अघि जो बस्तु चाहिजे सो ही दरबार सू ले जाओ।

^{2.} संतत १८२६ वंशास सुदी ६ गुरुवासरे गुष्य नक्षणे सवाई माथोगुरे महाराजाचिराज की पृथ्वीसिहकी एक्ये मृत्यक्षेत्रे गंबामान्ये बालास्कार गणे सरस्वती गच्छे कुंच्छुंच्चार्यान्यं महारक की सुरेन्नकीति गुरूपंदेवात् सं-मंदलालेम प्रतिष्ठा कराणिता ।

संबत १८५८ वर्षे वैद्याल मासे कृष्ण पक्षे दशमी बुद्धवासरे श्री मूलसंघे मट्टारक श्री सुरेन्द्रकीरित उपदेशात् जुनागढ नगरे रैवतकाचले खंडेलवालान्वय छावडा गोत्रे संबही रायचन्द्रेण यंत्रप्रतिष्ठा करापिता ।

संवत १८६१ वैशाख सुदी ५ सोमबार सवाई जयपुर नगरे मट्टारक श्री सुरेन्द्रकीति गुरू उपदेशात् छावडा गोत्रे संबही रायचन्द्रेण प्रतिष्ठा कारियता । यंडित रामचन्द्रेण नित्यं प्रणमति ।

Rodapurā. This name was given after the name of his friend. A Jaina temple was constructed by him at Anatapurā near Chātsū which was given to him as a Jāgīra for his salary.

Jainism flourished in different parts of the Jaipur State, which were ruled by small feudatory rulers. In 1694 A.D., during the reign of Vijaya Siriha, Jesä of Jobanera with his sons set up the images. He seems to be the feudatory chief of Jobanera. The inscription of 1653 A.D. points out that during the reign of Shāhjahān, when Arjuna Gauda was ruling over Mālapurā, Sanghī Nādā, Bhīkhā, Sambhu and Lāla Chanda performed the installation ceremony of the big Daśalakshana Yantra. This inscription is historically important as it points out that Mālapurā, once under the rule of the Kachchhāvā rulers of Jaipur, came under the control of Arjuna Gauda, the ruler of Mārotha.

Jainism was also prevalent at Reväsä. An inscription of 1604 A.D. records that during the reign of emperor Pätisha Akbar and his subordinate Chief Mahārājādhirāja Rāyasāla of Kachchhāvāha family, the temple of Ādinātha was constructed by Sāha Jitamala and his brother Nathamala, the two sons of Devīdāsa, the Chief Minister of Rāyasāla. Devīdāsa belonged to a Khandelavāla family. The inscription further states that the temple was built under the advice of Yasakītti belonging to Mūlasangha.³

Bairat in the time of Akbar was ruled by his official Indrarāja. The inscription of 1,87 A.D. engraved on the wall of the temple of Pāraśvanātha states that Indrarāja, a Srīmāla baniyā, erectted this temple which was named both Mahodaya Prasāda and Indra Vibāra and dedicated it to Vimalanātha.*

^{1.} संवत १७५१ का वर्षे जंधेठ वर्षो ६ शुक्रवासरे थी मुलसंबे मं. श्री यशकीतिवरीता, मं सी रत्नकीतिजी तत्तमाधे कडेलवालाव्ये जोवपुर बास्तव्य राज्य भी बिबब्तिक्कृ राज्य भीच्या गोने बाह सामोदर तत पुत्र सा. जैसा ता पुत्र डी प्रथम पुत्र चि. स्वामदास, द्वतिय पु. केतसी संबंही जैसावीत इस बिन अंत्रिष्ठा करारिता ।

^{2.} संवत १७१० वर्षे माह सुदी ५ बृहस्पतिवारे पातिचाह भी बाहिजहां प्रतापे भालपुर नगरे महाराज थी अर्जुन गौड़ राज्ये भी मूलकंष बलात्कार गणे सरस्वतीगच्छे नंद्यान्याये कुंदकुंदाचार्यान्त्रये महारक भी न्यन्त्रकीति तरपुरे महारक देवेनकीति तरपुरे महारक देवेनकीति तरपुरे महारक देवेनकीति तरपुरे महारक प्रताप्ति नाम स्वाप्ति पारती गोत्र साह खानु मार्या सुद्धापदे —— तेवां मध्ये संबी श्री नादा, मीखा साह श्री संगु लालचन्द्र एतं प्रतिच्ठावितं श्री बृहतं दशक्षण यंत्रं नित्यं प्राणसर्वे व वर्षेमान जिनकासन ।

^{3.} ARRMA., 1934-35, No. 11.

^{4.} PRAS. WC; 1909-10, pp. 44-45.

The Jaina religion was also in existence in the kingdom of Todaraisingh which was ruled by the Solanki rulers. The old name of Todaraisingh was Takshakagadha. In 1536 A.D., Samghavī Kālu celebrated the consecration ceremony of the images at Ānvā near Uniyārā, during the reign of the Solanki ruler Sūryasena.¹ The two copies of the Yasodbaracharitra were written separately in 1553 A.D.² and 1555 A.D.³ when Rāva Rāmachandra was ruling over Todaraisingh. In 1607 A.D., Nānu got the copy of the Admātbaparāma written in the temple of Ādinātha of this place when Mahārājā Jagannātha was ruling.⁴ Vādirāja, the minister of the king Rāja Sinha of this town, wrote the Vāgbhatālankārāvachūri Kavichandrikā in 1672 A.D.⁵

Châtsu was a centre of Jainism in early times. Copies of manuscripts such as the Samyaktvakanmadī.º in 1525 A.D., Rājavartika² in 1525 A.D., Chandraprabbacharitra³ in 1526 A.D., Shatpābu a² in 1537 A.D., and Upāsakā-dbyayana¹º in 1556 A.D. were written here. The praisatis of these manuscripts are important from historical point of view. It is known from the praisati of the Chandraprabbacharitra that Chatsu was under the possession of Rāṇā Saigrāma Simha and his feudatory Rāva Rāma Chandra of Todaraisingh was ruling there. After that, it came under the control of the Rāṭhoḍa ruler Vīramade, the ruler of Mertā, as is known to us from the praisati of the Shatpābuda. Finally, king Bhāramala of Amber began to rule there as seen from the manuscript of Upāsakādbyayana written in his reign.

An inscription¹¹ of 1726 A.D. states that during the reign of Chūhaḍa Siṁha, Hṛidaya Rāma performed the installation ceremony of the images at Bānsakhoha, a place near Jaipur. Chuhaḍa Siṁha seems to be a petty ruler of this place.

Jainism in Alwar State: Some inscriptions of the 11th or 12th century A.D. on the pedestal of the Jaina images and some Jaina monuments

- 1. Virandini IV, pp. 109–110.
 2. PS., p. 168.

 3. Ibid., p. 163.
 4. Ibid., 89.

 5. JGPS., No. 141.
 6. PS., p. 63.

 7. Ibid., p. 54.
 8. Ibid., p. 99.
 - 9. Ibid., p. 175.
- 11: सबत १७८६ बैशास्त्र बिद ८ बृद्धवारे मावन नक्षत्रे बाससों नगरे कुंभाणी गोत्रिय राजसी चूहड-सिंहजी राज्य प्रवर्तमाने श्री मूलसंघे भट्टारक श्री देवेन्द्रकीर्ति तदाम्नाये संटेलवालान्वयं लोहाइया गोत्र संघी जी श्री हृदयरामेशा बिबं प्रतिष्ठा कारांपिता। J.R.5

have been discovered at the places such as Ajabgadha, Naugāmā and Rājagadha. They indicate that Jainism existed in this region in early medieval
period when it was ruled over by the Gūrjara Pratīhāras. Been afterwards,
during the reign of Khānzādās, Jainism remained associated with this region
in the 15th or 56th century A.D. These Khānzādās were originally Hindus who
were converted to Islam during the reign of Firoz Tughluq in the 14th century
A.D. By nature, they were tolerant and showed great regard towards Jainism.

Alwar became the place of pilgrimage in the medieval times and it was visited by several pilgrims. In the Tīrthamālār written in the medieval period, it has been described as a holy place of Rāvaṇa Pārśvanātha. It means that Rāvaṇa worshipped the image of Pārśvanātha at this place. It, therefore, began to be called Rāvaṇa Pārśvanātha Tīrtha. It is all legendary but it indicates the importance of Alwar as a centre of religion. It appears that the town Pārānagar near Alwar derived its name from the Jaina Tīrthaikara Pārśvanātha. As extensive Jaina ruins abound in Pārānagara, it may be possible that this place was associated with the Jaina Tīrthaikara Pārśvanātha in early times.

As Alwar remained the holy place of Jainas in medieval times, Jaina scholars and saints resided at this place and carried on their literary activities."

Some works such as Mamanekadašītavana in 1567 n.D. by Sādhuklīti, Vidagdbamukbaman danavītiti in 1642 n.D. by Sivachandra, Devakumārachanpāī by Lālachandra in 1625 n.D. and Mahīpāla-chanpāī in 1821 n.D. by Vinaya-chandra have been composed in Alwat. Some copies of the manuscripts such as the Hawisadwin, Laglu-Sainghatrayī in 1543 n.D. and Laghu-kabūratamāxavyītīt in 1546 n.D. have been prepared in Alwar. Even at Tijārā and Bahādurapura, several copies of the manuscripts were written during the reign of the Khānzādās in the 15th and 16th centuries.

Temples were constructed and images were placed in them during the reign of the Khānzādās in the 15th and 16th centuries. A Jaina inscription of 1516 A.D. records the construction of an Ādināthachaitya at Bahudrayapura by Srīmāla Samgha and the installation of an image therein was

^{1.} ARRMA, 1918-19, Nos. 4, 9 and 10. 2. Ibid., 1919-20, Nos. 3 and 4.

^{3.} Archaelogical Survey Reports, XX, p. 124. 4. Jaina Satya Prakāša, X, p. 99.

Arāvalī, I, No. 12.
 Śrī Praśasti Samgraha, pp. 96, 108, 115, and 125.

⁷ Ibid., pp. 35 and 54.

made by Āchārya Punyaratna Sūri.¹ In 1531 A.D. a Srāvaka of Upakeśa caste belonging to Alwar installed the image of Sumatinātha through Siddha Sūri.³ Bhaṭṭāraka Bhushaṇa of the Kāshṭhā Saṃgha performed the installation ceremony of an image at this place in 1619 A.D.³ An inscription of 1628 A.D. engraved on a slab of stone built into the wall of a Jaina temple, now used as a house by a Thākura at Alwar, records the construction of a temple of Rāvaṇa Pārṭvanātha and consecration of his image by Hīrānanda of Osavāla caste originally of Delhi and then residing at Agra.⁴

DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY THE MUSLIMS: Jainism under Răjpūt rulers remained some how safe and secure from Muslim invasions but still it could not escape their ravaging effects entirely. They raged many of the Jaina temples to the ground, massacred the followers of Jainism and destroyed libraries. Most of the beautiful Mohammedan mosques were built out of the ruins of the Jaina temples which provide elegant pillars and the richly carved horizontal domes.

From the inscriptions of the temple at Pālī, it seems that the temple now known as Pāršvanātha was originally dedicated to Mahāvīra.⁵ This change must have been brought about by an invasion of the Mohammedans who came to Pālī and destroyed the image. From the Tārikb-i-Firinhta also, it appears that Qutbuddin Aibak, slave of Muhammad Ghori, was the only Muslim emperor who captured Pālī. In 1196 A.D., we are told that Qutbuddin, on his way to Aṇahilavāḍa, took the forts of Pālī and Nāḍol. When Pālī suffered at the hands of Mohammedans, the Jaina temple must have undoubtedly suffered from their iconoclastic fury. When the time came for renovating it, the name of the Tīrthankara, to whom it was dedicated, was probably forgotten.

Adhāi-dina kā Jhomparā is said to be a Jaina temple in the past. It was destroyed by the ignorant bigotry and fanaticism of the Afghans of Ghor who attacked Ajmer under Muhammad Ghori in 1192 A.D. They converted it into a mosque; the alteration consisted principally in the addition of the magnificent screen wall, consisting of seven arches fronting the western side, and the insertion in the back wall of the inevitable mehrab or arch

Archaeological Survey Reports, XX, p. 119.

NJI., No. 1464.
 Bhattārakasampradāya, No. 686.

^{4.} ARRMA., 1919 - 20, No. 15 5. PRAS., WC., 1907 - 08, pp. 43-44.

inseparable from a mosque and the erection of a pulpit or mimbar near it. The imamgha or mehrab in white marble was built in 1199 A.D. and the screen wall was added during the time of Sultān Shamsuddin Iltutmish in about 1213 A.D. Thus, the work of conversion lasted from 1199 to 1213 A.D.

From the two Sanskrit and two Persian inscriptions, it is clear that Jāmā Masjid at Sanchor was built with the materials obtained by demolishing the old Jaina temple of Mahāvīra in the reign of Nasiru-ud-din, son and successor of Alauddin Khilji.¹ From the Tīrtha-kalpa of Jinaprabha, it is clear that at Sanchor, there was a celebrated Jaina temple of Mahāvīra. From its account, it appears that the temple was thrice in danger of being destroyed by the Mohammedans and that it was at last attacked in 1310 A.D. by Allauddin who carried away the image to Delhi and broke it to pieces. Tāribh-i-Tirithā also describes this event.

From the inscriptions on the pillars of the mosque at Jalor in Matwar, it is clear that it was built from the materials of at least four different temples of which, one was a Hindu temple. The remaining three were Jaina temples and were dedicated to the Tirthańkaras Ādinātha, Mahāvīra and Pārśvanātha.

From the inscriptions in the temple of Neminātha at Jiravalā in Sirohi state, it is clear that it was originally dedicated to Pārśvanātha. There is found a story among the inhabitants of this place about the change of denomination. They narrate that during the regime of the Muslim King (whom they called Bokada Pādashah) the temple was attacked, desecrated and plundered by a band of Mohammedan troops. During this raid, the image of Pārśvanātha was pulled down and smashed to pieces by the bigotted iconoclasts.*

The invasion of Kāmran, the brother of Humāyun, on Bikaner in 1534 A.D. is only known from the inscription on the image in the temple of Chintāmaṇi at Bikaner. At this time, he also destroyed the Jaina temples. The Stawma of Kanakasoma gives an account of the destruction caused by Turāsana Khan to the images of Sirohi.

PRAS., WC., 1907 - 08, p. 34 - 35.
 PRAS., WC., 1908 - 09, p. 54, 57.

Vividha Tirtha-kalpa, pp. 28. 30.
 PRAS., WC., 1916 - 17, p. 67.

Bikanera Jaina Lekha Samgraha, No 2

The town Sāhabāda in Kotah state was so named by Aurangzeb when, during his march from Delhi to South, he stayed for a day at this place. He destroyed the Hindu and Jaina temples and out of this material, erected a small mosque copying the pattern of Jāmā Masjid of Agra. The Musjid still stands and the material used when properly scrutinised reveals the iconoclastic zeal of this great monarch.

From the above discussion of the subject, it stands clearly revealed that Jainism was in existence in very early times and it flourished from the 8th century to the present day exceedingly in Rajasthan. It enjoyed the patronage of the rulers, generosity of the administrators, munificence of the merchants, and the respect of the masses. But still, there are the incidents which point out that it could not remain immune from the Muslim attacks.

CHAPTER III

DIVISIONS AND SUB-DIVISIONS OF JAINISM

The Jaina religion like other religions of India has suffered from the tendency of schisms and secessions from the very beginning. The different sects gradually sprang from time to time on account of the different interpretations put on the canonical texts. The Jaina church consisted of the various local Sainghas, and there was no central organization to co-ordinate them. The circumstances of the particular time also compelled them to give up old ideas and to adopt new ones. Some persons ambitious and capable of aspiring to leadership started new sects only for their personal name and fame. Such a tendency no doubt did more harm than good to the cause of Jainism.

IN THE TIME OF MAHAVIRA: Even in the time of Lord Mahāvira, Jainism was not free from schisms. There were the followers of Pāréva who believed in the four vows (chāturyāma-dharma), to which Mahāvīra is said to have added the vow of chastity. An attempt was also made for compromise and the followers of Pāréva joined the church of Mahāvīra.

The sect of Ājīvikas existed even as early as the time of Mahāvīra. Their leader was Gośāla Makkhalīputra. The word Ājīvika indicates a pro-

^{2.} Bikaner Jaina Lekha Samgraha, p. 27 (Introduction).

fession for livelihood and not a religious sect. The name was given to it by its opponents but afterwards, the offensive meaning of the name gradually disappeared. In earlier years of their ascetic life, Mahāvīra and Gośāla had been mutually associated but later on it was the conduct of Gośāla that was responsible for their separation.

SVETAMBARAS AND DIGAMBARAS: The Svetämbaras and the Digambaras both are found in large numbers in Rajasthan. Their separation took place in 79 ¹ or 82 ² A.D. The Svetämbaras give the following explanation of the origin of the Digambara sect.³ A saint named Sivabhūti was given a costly blanket by the king of Rathavirapura. He became very fond of it. His preceptor noting his fondness for the blanket ordered him to part with it, but he refused to do so; and in an angry mood, he ran away leaving it behind. He founded the Digambara sect. This account is however incredible because no householder, according to the Jaina scriptures, likes the giving of a costly blanket to a saint who is expected to live on restricted charity. Further, even assuming that the saint ran away naked leaving his blanket behind, how could he hope to gather followers for a doctrine which was not popular? In order to prove their priority, the Svetämbaras advanced the following arguments.

1. The Svetāmbaras possessed all the twelve Angas, the sayings of the Tirthańakaras, except Dristivāda, while the Digambaras had none. The literature of the Digambaras was composed by them after their coming into being in 82 A.D.

2. In the Agama literature of the Svetāmbaras, there is no mention of the Digambara sect. It indicates that Angas of the Svetāmabaras are of ancient times and were composed before the coming of the Digambara sect into existence.

3. There is a description of Gośāla Ājīvika in the Buddhist Piţakas and Bhagavatī-Sutra but it is not found in the very old Digambara Jaina literature.

4. The Jaina inscriptions of Mathura cléarly indicate that the names of Gauas and Kulas are similar to those found in the Sthavirāvalī of the Kalpasītra.

^{1.} Darsanasara, p 7.

^{3.} Ibid, p. 272.

Śramana Bhagavān Mahāvīra Vol. IV, Nihnava-Vāda, p. 269.

The Digambaras also give the explanation of the origin of the Svetāmbara sect which is as follows.\(^1\) A tertible famine visited Magadha in 293 B.c. and 14000 monks under the leadership of Bhadrabāhu with Chandragupta Maurya moved on to the South. Some monks under the leadership of Sthülabhadra stayed in the North. After the famine, Bhadrabāhu returned to the North and found that the northern monks had deviated from certain fundamental principles of Jainism and started to put on clothes. But the actual and final schism took place after two centuries, when the unity of the order was lost for ever. The following arguments may be advanced in order to prove the priority of the Digambara sect.

- r. At the time of Alexander the Great's raid across India, the Digambaras were still numerous enough to attract the notice of the Greeks who called them Gymnosophists or naked philosophers.
- a. At Mathura, the two Jaina temples of the early Christian era have been discovered.³ It seems that these temples belong to the Digambaras, because the images placed in them are nude. The pictures of the saints and the ascetics on the wall of the Hathigumphā inscription are also nude.
- 3. The Ājīvikas and the Yāpanīyas, the sects of the Jainas, adopted the practice of nudity of the Digambaras. It seems that this was the original practice and, therefore, they have accepted it. The Ājīvikas and the Yāpanīyas later on merged themselves among the Digambaras, the original sect but not among the Svetāmbaras. This also leads to the priority of the Digambara sect.

The five main tenets in which the Digambaras and the Svetāmbaras hold different views are: (a) the Tirthańakaras must be represented as nude and unadorned and with down cast eyes; (b) women cannot obtain moksha; (c) Mahāvīra was never married; (d) once a saint had obtained $Kevala\ Jā\bar{n}na$, he needed no food in morsels, but he could sustain life without eating; and (e) the ideal ascetics must be nude.

SAMGHA, GANA AND GACHCIIIIA

The Sanigha and Gana are well-known political terms. The Sanigharājya means the rule of a community and the gana-rājya indicates the rule of

It has been described in Brikatkathā-kośa by Harishena, Bhadrabāhucharitra by Ratnanandi and Rājāvalikathe.

^{2.} Jaina Stūpa and other Antiquities. p. 7. (Int.)

many a republic. In early times, there was perhaps no distinction between political Sampha and Gana, because Panini equates Gana with Sampha. But, in course of time, Gana became a branch of Samgha. The Samgha and Gana in Jainism and Buddhism might have come into existence as imitations of the political Samghas and Ganas which flourished in ancient India. Both Mahāvīra and Buddha were born and brought up in the republican atmosphere, They had Samphas around them. It is for this reason that they adopted the name as well as the constitution of the political Samgha in organizing their religious Samghas. It is also possible to suggest that the political Samghas and Ganas might have been founded in imitation of the religious Samghas and Ganas which had existed since the time when the two great religions were organised. The head of the Gana was known as Ganadhara. Both these terms in the political and religious spheres indicate the group of persons with the main characteristic of possessing a mind conscious of certain ideology. The existence of large number of Samphas and Ganas in the Jaina community in ancient times points out that it was politically and culturally highly organised. It is due to the efficiency of the Church organization that Jainism has survived through all vicissitudes. The Ganas in course of time also began to be known as Gachchhas.

Gana in the Kalpasutra and Kusnana Inscriptions of Mathura. The Kalpasutra tells us that there were seven Schools of thought with their respective branches (Sākhā) each of which separated in course of time into its own family (kula). It is interesting to note that several of these Jaina orders are mentioned in Kushāṇa records. The seven Gaṇas are Godāsa, Uddeha, Uduvāṇika, Vesavāṇika, Chāraṇa, Māṇava and Kauṇika.¹

The first Gaṇa had four Sākhās and Kulas. The second Gaṇa Uddeha was founded by Ārya Rohaṇa and was divided into four Sākahās and six Kulas Nāgabhuta and Parihāsaka Kulas of the Kalpaiūtra may be identified with Nāgabhutikīya² and the Parihāsaka³ of the Kushāṇa records. The third Gaṇa Uduvāṭika is subdivided into four śākhās and three Kulas. None of these can be traced in any of the Kushāṇa inscriptions. The fourth Gaṇa Veśavāṭika, founded by Kāmarddhi, was subdivided into four śākhās

^{1.} Kalpasūtra, S. B. E., Vol. 22, p. 288f.

E. I. Vol. I, No. XIX, p. 391.

LUDERS: Epig. Notes. I. A. XXXIII, p. 109.

and Kulas. Among these only, the Mehika-kula1 is mentioned in a Kushāna grant. The fifth Gana Charana identified by BUHLER with Varana Gana of the inscriptions was subdivided into four sakhas and seven Kulas.2 The Kushāņa inscriptions refer to several of them.8 The śākhās may be identified with the Haritamalakari. Vairanagari and Samkasika while the Kulas are to be identified with the Pusyamitrika, Aryachetika and Partidharmika of the Kalpasūtra. The sixth Gana Mānava was divided into four śākhās and three Kulas. But only a few of these are mentioned in Kushana records. The seventh Gana Kautīva Gana founded by Susthita was subdivided into four Kulas, and seven sākhās. This Gana is well represented in the Kushāna inscriptions.4 The sakhas must be identified with the Vajra, Madhyamika, Uchhānagarī and the Vātsaliva while the Kulas may be identified with the Vānīva, Brahmaliptika and the Prishnavāhanaka of the Kalbasūtra. The Madhymikā branch was named after the ancient place Madhyamikā identified with modern Nagari in Mewar. It was founded by Privagrantha, the second pupil of Susthita and Supratibuddha.5

The number of the Gachchhas is 84 but it seems to be only conventional. Neither the Castes not the Gachchhas were formed at one time. They came into existence at different times. Some names of the Gachchhas have no significance but were added simply to make their number 84. This increase in the number started from about the 11the century A.D. At present, there number seems to be about one hundred fifty. Most of the Gachchhas were prevalent in Sirohi, Jaisalmer, Marwar and Mewar states. This existence at a particular time points out that there were followers of these Gachchhas at that time. Some of the Gachchhas were named after certain good deeds done by certain persons while others named after influential persons. Some of the ancient Kulas in course of time were also converted into the Gachchhas. The Gachchhas are also territorial in origin.

ACTIONAL GACHCHHAS:

- (1) BRIHAD GACHCHHA: Uddyotanasuri bestowed the degree of a Suri on the eight ascetics including Devasuri under the shade of a large
- 1. E. I., Vol. II, p. 382. 2 Buhler: On the Indian Sect of the Jaines. p. 55,
- 3. E. I., I, No. VI, pp 385, 87, 88, 97, 96, 289.
- E. I., I, No. VI, pp. 385, 87, 88, 97, 96 and 289.
- Kalpasūtra, S.B.E , Vol. XXII, p. 293.

banian tree at a village Teli situated at mount Abu. According to the opinion of some, the degree of the (highest priest) was conferred only on Sarvadevasūri. As the degree was conferred under the banian tree, the Nirgeantha Gachchha began to be called Vaṭa Gachchha. Vaṭa Gachcha is known also by another name Bṛihad Gachchha.¹ The earliest inscription of 1086 a.D. of this Gachchha in Rajasthan is found at Koṭarā in Sirohi State.ª The next early inscription of 1158 a.D. is found at Nādol in Marwar.³ From the inscriptions it seems that it became popular in Sirohi and Marwar States in the 12th, 13th and 14th centuries. The inscriptions of the 14th and 15th centuries of this Gachchha are also found in Udaipur and Jaisalmer.³

- (2) Kharatara Gaohchha. Kharatara Gachchha is the most famous and influential Gachchha. Jineśvarasüri by defeating the Chaityaväsis in the royal court of Durlabharāja got the title 'Kharatara' in 1017 A.D. From him started the Kharatara Gachchha. It arose outside Rajasthan but gathered a large number of followers here. In course of time, it was divided into many branches. The inscriptions of this Gachchha are found in the different parts of Rajasthan. But it remained dominant in Jaisalmer from the 14th century to the 19th century. The Ächāryas of this Gachchha installed several images und wrote many works.
- (3) TAPĀ GACHCHHA: Jagachandra Sūri was not only a scholar but he was also a great ascetic practising penances. He accepted the penance of doing 'Ajambil' for the whole life and passed twelve years in this way. Seeing it, Jaitra Simha, the king of Mewar, gave him the title of Tapā (which means a real ascetic) in 1228 A.D. From this time, Nirgtantha Gachchha got another name of Tapā Gachchha.* The saints of this Gachchha contributed considerably to the growth of Jainism. Later on, it was also divided into many branches. Vriddha Pausālika Tapā-Gachchha started from Vijayachandra who was the pupil of Jagachandra Suri, From Devendra Suri, there started the Laghu Pausālika Tapā-Gachchha. Vijayachandra Suri was indolent in the performance of religious rites while Devendra Suri devoted himself to the performance of the purifying rites and contributed to the

^{1.} Śramana Bhagavān Mahāvīra, Vol, V, Pt. II. Sthavirāvalī, p. 2.

PJS, Pt. I, No. 3.
 MJI., No. 833 and 834.
 APJLS.

^{5.} NJI., Pt. 1, II & III. 6. I. A., Vol. IX, p. 248. 7. NJI. Pt. III.

^{8.} Śramana Bhagavān Mahāvīra, Vol. V, Pt. II, Sthavirāvalī, p. 75.

development of Jainism.¹ The images installed by the Āchāryas of this Gachchha are found in different parts of Rajasthan. But still, it remained strong in Sirohi,² Mewar and Jaisalmer.²

- (4) ARCHALA GACHCHHA: Vijayachanda Upādhyāya was the first person to start a Gachchha called Vidhipakṣha in order to support the pure rites. Once the merchant Kotī went to Pātan. While performing the rites of padikkēamaṇa, he used the edge of his cloth in bowing down instead of using the 'mubapaṭṭī' (a piece of cloth kept on the mouth by the Jaina ascetics). Kumārapāla asked him the reason of this. The Guru told him about Vidhi-pakṣha (the new sect) and then Kumārapāla used the edge of his cloth (called ānchala in Gujarāti) in saluting. Thence forward, Vidhi-pakṣha was called ānchala Gachchha 4
- This Gachchha started in 1166 A.D. outside Rajasthan but it spread in Jaisalmer, Udaipur, Jīrāualā in Sirohi State and Nagara in Marwar in the 15th century A.D. as known to us from the inscriptions. Several Āchāryas of this Gachchha composed inportant works and celebrated the consecration of many images.⁶
- (5) PŪRŅIMIYĀ GACHOHRA AND SĀRDHA PŪRŅIMIYĀ GACHOHHA: From Purņimā, it seems to be named Pūrņimiyā Gachchha. Sārdha Pūrņimiyā system started in 1179 A.D. The great king Kumārapāla once asked Hemachandra to call the leader of the Pūrņimiyā Gachchha in order to inquire whether its followers acted according to the Jaina holy books or not. The leader of the Gachchha was called and questioned by Kumārapāla. But he could not give satisfactory answers, so the ascetics of the Gachchha were asked to go into exile. After the death of Kumārapāla, Sumatisimha, the Āchārya of the Gachchha, came to Pātan. On being asked by the people about his Gachchha, he said, 'We belong to Sārdha Pūrṇimiyā Gachchha.' The followers of this system do not worship a Jaina shrine with fruits. ¹ It followers of this system do not worship a Jaina shrine with fruits. ¹ It remained very dominant in the 15th century in Jaisalmer and Sirohl States

^{1.} Śramaņa B. M. 2. APJLS. 3. NJI. Pt. 1, II & III and PLS.

^{4.} Śramana Bhagvān Mahāvīra, Vol. V. Pt. II. Sthavirāvali, p. 65.

^{5.} NJI. Pt. II, III, PLS. Pt. I, and APJLS.

^{6.} Śramaņa Bhagvān Mahāvīra, Vol. V, Pt. II, Sthavırāvalī, p. 65.

as it is known to us from the inscriptions. Its inscriptions are also found at Jodhpur and Nagaur in Marwar, Aimer and Udaipur.¹

(6) ĀGAMIKA GACHCHHA: Śīlaguṇasuri and Devabhadrasūri were the two Āchāryas who belonged to Purnimiyā Gachchha. They joined the Āñchala Gachcha, but they soon left it and started their own sect. They taught that prayers should not be offered to Kitherra Devata. Besides this, they propounded some new theories and gave the name of Āgamika Gachchha to their section.³ This sect either started in 1157 A.D. or 1193 A.D., but in Rajasthan it spread in the 15th century A.D. It was prevalent in Jaisalmer, Ajmer, Jaipur and Nagaur, Barmer and Osiā in Marwar State and Sirohi State.³

KULA GACHCHHAS:

- (1) CHANDRA GACHCHHA: Chandra Kula in course of time was converted into Chandra Gachchha. Its name is also mentioned in the inscription of 1182 A.D. at Jälor in Marwar.⁴ It seems to have been in existence from 1125 A.D. to 1435 A.D. in Sitohi State as known to us from the inscriptions.⁵
- (2) NĀGENDRA GACHCHHA: From Nāgendra Kula, it became famous as Nāgendra Gachchha. The preceptor of the founder of Aṇahila-pura-pātan named Śilaguṇasuri also belongs to this Gachchha. The carliest inscription of 1031 AD. of this Gachchha in Rajasthan is found at Osiā in Marwat.⁶ It became dominant at Jaisalmer from the 13th century to the 16th century. It was in existence at Pālī, Nagaur, Sirohi and Udaipur at this time.⁷
- (3) NIVRITTI GACHCHIA: Probably Nivritti Kula in course of time began to be called Nivritti Gachchia. In the early inscriptions discovered in Sirohi State, Nivritti-kula is mentioned,* but in the inscriptions of 1412 Ad. on the metal image of Sītalanātha at Udaipur, Nivritti Gachchha is mentioned.*

^{1.} N.H. Pt I, H and HI & APJLS.

^{2.} Śramana Bhagvān Mahāvīra, Vol. V, Pt. II, Sthavirāvalī, Pt. 11, p. 66.

NJI. Pt. I, II and III & APJLS.
 NJI., No. 899.
 APJLS.

^{6.} NJI, No. 792, 7. NJI., Pt. I & II. 8. APJLS 9. PLS. No. 106-

GACHCHHAS NAMED AFTER INFLUENTIAL PERSONS:

- (1) Kharatara Gachchha: The Kharatara Gachchha in course of time was divided into many branches which were started after the influential persons. Bhāvaharsha Kharatara Sākhā is the 7th Gachchhabheda, and it was founded by Bhāvaharshopādhyāya.¹ In 1643 A.D., there originated the Raṅgavijaya Kharatara Sākhā from Raṅgavijaya Gaṇi. This is the 9th Gachchha-bheda, and from this Śākhā sprang the Srīsārīya Kharatara Sākhā founded by Srīsāropādhyāya as the tenth Gachchha-bheda.² It seems to have remained in existence at Jaipur in the 19th century.
- (2) Tapā Gachchha: In course of time, the Tapā Gachchha was also divided into many branches. Some of the brances were named after the great Āchāryas. After the demise of Āchārya Mahārāja Vijayasena Suri, there were the five divisions in Tapā Gachchha after the names of Āchāryas. One was formed by the followers of Āchārya Mahārāja Deva Sūri and known as Deva Sūri Gachchha. The second formed by the followers of Āchārya Ananda Suri was known as Ānanda Sūri ig Gachchha. The third division known as Sāṇara Gachchha was organized in 1629 A.D. by Āchārya Rāja Sāṇara Sūri The fourth division named Vimala Gachchha was named after Vimala Sūri in 1692 A.D. The fifth division known as Saṇwegī Gachchha was created by Pannyāsa Saṭya Vijayajī Gaṇi.³

Pārśvanātha Gachchha is also a branch of Tapā Gachchha. An intelligent man called Pārśva Chandra took initiation under Srī Sādhuratna Suri of Nāgaurī Tapā Gachchha in 1313 A.D. About some courses of conduct, he differed from his perceptor and aptly preached his view vigorously. His Gachchha was named after his own name. He too believed in image worship, and images have been consecrated by himself and other saints of the Gachchha.

The saint Krishnarshi founded Krishnarshi Gachchha, a branch of Tapā Gachchha. The earliest mention of it is found in the inscription of

^{1.} IA., V. XI, p. 250. 2. IA., V. XI, p. 250.

³ Śramana Bhagavīn Mahāvīra, Vol. V, pt. II, Sthavirāvalī, p. 176.

^{4.} Śramaņa Bhagavān Mahāvīra, Voi V, Pt. II, Sthavirāvalī, p. 176.

1426 A.D. at Jirāvalā in Sirohi State. The next mention of it is found in the inscription of 1468 A.D. of Nagaur in Marwar. In the 15th century, this Gachehha was in existence at Jaisalmer.

Kamala Kalaśa is also a branch of the Tapā Gachchha and it became separated as Kamala Kalaśa in the 16th century. It seems to have remained popular in Sirohi State as known from the inscriptions.*

(3) GACHOHHA OF THIS TYPE IN SIROHI STATE: From the name of the Āchārya Pishpālāchārya, it was known Pishpālāchārya Gachchha. It was in existence in Sirohi State from 1151 A.D. as it is known from the inscriptions. Mahendra Süri Gachchha came into existence after the name of the Āchārya Mahendra Süri. It is mentioned in the inscription of the 13th century at Ajārī in Sirohi State. Āmradevāchārya Gachchha was named after Āmradevāchārya. It was in existence at Ajārī and Lotāņā in Sirohi State in the 11th century. From the inscriptions, it seems that it was accociated with Nivritti Kula. 7

(4) Gachchha of this type in Jodhfur State: From the Achārya Prabhākara, it became famous as Prabhākara Gachchha. It is mentioned in the inscription of 1515 A.D. found at Mertā in Marwar.* The name of Kadaumati Gachchha became famous after the name of Kadāvāšāha in 1505 A.D. The name of this Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1626 A.D. of Osia⁹

(5) COMMON GACHEHHA FOUND IN THE STATES: Dharmaghosha Gachehha was named after Dharmaghosha Süri probably in the 12th or 13th century. It became dominant at places such as Jaisalmer, Udaipur and Nagaur in the 14th, 13th and 16th centuries. 10

From Bhāvadeva Suri, Bhāvadevāchārya Gachchha was named. Bhāvadāra Gachchha and Badāhada Gachchha also seem to be of the above type. The earliest mention of it is found in the inscription of 1157 A.D. discovered at a village Sīverā in Sirohi State. 11 From the 13th century to 15th century, the existence of this Gachchha in Jaisalmer in known from the inscriptions. 12

APJLS. No. 138 & 141.
 NJI., Pt. II, No. 1275.
 Ibid. Pt. III.
 Jid., No. 425.
 APJLS.
 Ibid., No. 425.

^{7.} APJLS., Nos. 396, 470, 471, 472 and 473.

8. NJI., Pt. No. 764.

^{9.} Ibid., No. 899. 10. NJI, Pt. I, II & III. 11. APJLS., No. 319. 12. NJI., Pt. III.

Malladhārī Gachchha was called after Malladhārī Āchārya. It remained in existence from the 14th century to the 16th century at the places such as Jaisalmer, Udaipur and Sirohi State.1

Vidvādhara Gachchha was probably named after Vidvādhara Sūri. From the 14th century to the 17th century, it seems to have been in existence in Rajasthan. Its inscriptions are found at Osia and Nagaur in Marwar, Nānā in Sirohi State and Jaisalmer.2

Probably, Vijaya Gachchha was named after Vijayadeva Sūri. There is an inscription of 1642 A.D. found at Bharaja in Sirohi State.8 Another inscription of 1661 A.D. is found at Balotara in Marwar.4 In the 19th century, a person belonging to Alwar of this Gachchha performed the installation ceremony of the image.5

Rāmaseniya Gachchha was probably named after Rāmasena. The earliest inscription of 1401 A.D. of this Gachchha is found at Nagaur in Marwar.6 It seems to have been in existence in Mewar in the 15th century.7

Yasa Suri Gachchha was established after the name of the Acharya Yasa Süri. The inscription of 1185 A.D. of this Gachchha was found out at Aimer."

TERRITORIAS GACHCHHAS:

(1) GACRICHHAS ORIGINATED FROM THE PLACES IN SIROHI STATE: Sirohi State remained the stronghold of the Jaina religion in early Hindu period. It was, therefore, natural that the Gachehhas were named after the places thereof. Madahada Gachehha became famous from the village Madara in Sirohi State. The oldest inscription of 1230 A.D. of this Gachehha has been found at Madara, the place of its origin.9 The large number of inscriptions of this Gachchha discovered in Sirohi State indicate that this area remained the stronghold of this Gachchha.10 In the 14th and 15th centuries, it was also prevalent in Jaisalmer and Udaipur.11

Nānavāla Gachchha and Iñānakīva Gachchha seem to be the one and the same Gachchha. It seems to have originated from the village named

- NJ1., Pt. I. II and III & APJLS., Nos. 82 & 142.
- NJI., Nos. 798, 1313 & 2278, APJLS., No. 348.
- APJLS., No. 620. 4. NJI., No. 738.
- 5. Ibid., No. 1000. N.JI., No. 1236. 7. Ibid., Nos. 1080 & 1017
- 8. NJI., No. 530.
- APJLS., No. 66. 10. APJLS.
 - NJI., Pt. I, II & III.

Nana in Sirohi State. Numerous inscriptions from the 11th century to the 15th century discovered in Sirohi State indicate that it was the centre of this Gachchha. It was in existence at Jaisalmer from the 15th to 15th century. In the 15th and 16th centuries, it was found in Mewat.

According to the Pattāvalī, Jirāvalī Gachchha is a branch of Brihad Gachchha. It originated from the place named Jirāvalī in Sirohi State. It was even in existence in the 14th century at the very blace of its origin.4

Brāhamaṇa Gachchha among the Jainas originated from the place Varmāna the ancient name of which was Brāhamaṇa Mahāsthāna. The centre of this Gachchha was the region of Sirohi State from the 12th century to the 16th century A.D. as it is clear from a large number of inscriptions discovered in this area. It was found at Varmāna in the 12th century A.D. The Jaina temple of Mahāvīra of this place belonged to this Gachchha, and it was built in 1185 A.D. or even before by the Srāvakas or lay disciples. The inscription of 1185 A.D. records that Puniga and other Śrāvakas constructed Padmaśilā of the temple, of Mahāvīra of Brāhamaṇa Gachchha. There is an inscription of 1087 A.D. with the name of this Gachchha found at Pālī in Marwar. This Gachchha was prevalent in Mewar in the 14th and 15th centuries and in the 15th and 16th centuries, it was in existence at Jaisalmer.

Kāchholī Gachchha seems to be connected with the place named Kāchholī in Sirohi State. It was a branch of the Purnimā-paksha. It was in existence in Sirohi State in the 14th and 15th centuries.⁹

(2) GACHCHHAS ORIGINATED FROM THE PLACES IN MARWAR: Upakeśa Cachchha was named after Osiā in Mawar. The inscription of 1202 A.D. with the name of this Gachchha has been also discovered at this place. 10 There is also the inscription of 1137 A.D. found at the village Ajāri in Sirohi State. 11 It remained popular from the 13th to the 16th century in Jaisalmer, Udaipur and Sirohi States as a very large number of the inscriptions have been discovered here. 22

The name of Korantaka Gachchha was given after Koranta in Marwar. The earliest inscription of this Gachchha of 1031 A.D. has been

APJLS.
 NJI., Pt. III.
 Ibid., Nos. 1111, 1143 & 1031.
 APJLS., Nos. 74 and 119
 APJLS.
 Ibid., No. 110.
 Ibid., No. 110.

^{7.} NJI., No 811. 8. NJI., Pt. 1, II & III. 9. APJLS.

NJI., Pt. I, No 791.
 APJLS, No. 404
 NJI., Pt. II & III & APJLS.

found out at Pīndavādā in Sirohi State. From this time to the 16th century it remained in existence in this area. From the 14th century to the 16th century, it was also prevalent in Jaisalmer.

Sanderā in Marwar is supposed to be the original seat of Sanderaka Gachchha, founded by Yasodeva Sūri who came from Kathiawar because of the fear of the Mlechchhas. He settled with the people at the tank. He saw a fight between the bull and the lion in which the bull emerged victorious. The village and Gachchha were named as Sanderaka Gachchha. This Gachchha spread much in the different parts of Rajasthan. It was in existence at Nādol in Marwar in the 12th century. In the 15th century, it was of the 15th century, it was prevalent in Mewar.

From the place named Hatikundī in Marwar, Hastikundī Gachchha became famous. It is mentioned in the inscription of 1396 A.D. of Udaipur.

Chaitravāla Gachchha and Chaitra Gachchha seem to be identical. They possibly originated from the place named Chaitravāla-nagara in Marwar, They prevailed in Jaisalmer and Udaipur from the 13th to the 16th century.

Pallivāla Gachchha originated from Pālī of Marwar. It is known both as Pallivāla Gachchha and Palli Gachchha. Palli Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1405 A.D. at Jaisalmer and of 1451 A.D. at Jaipur.⁸ Pallivāla Gachchha is found in two incriptions of the 15th century found at Aimer.⁹

Nāgapurīya Gachchha originated from Nagaur in Marwar. The disciple of the famous Vādideva Suri named Padma Prabha Sūri practised hard austerities at Nagaur in 1117 A.D. and he was therefore given the title Nāgaurīyā Tapa.

Harshapuriya Gachchla, a branch of Srī Pārśvanāthakula, originated probably from the place named Harsaur situated between Ajmer and Pushkar. Some of the Āchāryas of this Gachchla were very powerful and had great influence over their contemporary rulers. At the request of Abhayadeva Suri, the Chauhāna ruler Pṛithvīrāja I of Śākambharī, who lived in 1103 A.D.,

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    APJLS., No. 366.
    Ibid.
    NJI., Pt. III.
    PLS., Nos. 5 & 23.
    NJI., Pt. II & III.
    PLS., No. 43.
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NJ1., Pt. II & III.
 NJ1., Nos. 2478 & 577.
 Ibid., Nos. 533 & 539.

put the golden cupolas on the Jaina temples of Ranthambhor.¹ His pupil was Maladhātī Hemachandra who had influence over Jayasinha Siddhatāja of Gujarat. The name of this Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1498 A.D. found at Nagaur.²

Mandovara Gachchha is a branch of the Kharatara Gachchha. In 1745 cb., this branch became separated from Jinamahendra Sūri at Mandovara and therefore was named Mandovara Sākhā.8

- (3) GACHCHHAS ORIGINATED FROM THE PLACES IN MEWAR: Bharttipuriya Gachchha originated from the village Bharttipura now known as Bhatevara in Mewar. It was founded by Bharttiphata, the father of the famous king Allata, in the 10th century A.D. This Gachchha is mentioned in an inscription of the 13th century. Ratnapuriya Gachchha was originally a branch of Madahada Gachchha, but afterwards, it became a separate Gachchha after Ratnapura in Mewar. It is mentioned in the inscription of 1453 A.D. on the metal image found in the Jaina temple of Udaipur. 8 [PC]
- (4) Gachohhas originated from Kāmā in Bharatpur State. It is said that there was a Kāmyaka forest in this area. It is mentioned in the Bayānā stone inscription of 1043 Ab. The names of the Jaina teachers Vishņu Süri and Maheśvara Sūri are mentioned.⁶ Rudrapalliya Gachohha is a branch of the Kharatara Gachohha. In 1147 Ab. at Rudrapalli, it was founded by Jinaśekharāchārya.⁷ It is said to have originated from the place named Rudrapalli near Delhi. In the 13th century it spread at Nagaur and Bālotarā in Marwar and Jaisalmer.⁸
- (5) GACHCHHAS ORIGINATED FROM UNKNOWN PLACES: There are some regional Gachchhas but the places of their origin have not been definitely identified. Pippālaka Gachchha is also one of the branches of the Kharatara sect. This branch became separated in 1417 A.D. from Jinavardhana Süri. It was connected with the place Pippālaka and therefore it was named Pippālaka.

^{1.} Catalogue of the MSS in the Patan Bhandaras, p. 312.

NJI., No. 1295.
 IA., XI, p. 249.

ARRMA. Yr. 1923 NO. IX.
 PLS., Nos. 49, 124 & 256.

^{6.} IA., XIV, p. 8. 7. IA., XI, p. 248.

NJI., Nos. 734, 1267, 1315 & pt. III.
 I.A., XI, 249.

It seems that both Humbada Caste as well as Gachchha originated from the place named Humbada which has not been identified yet. It is mentioned in the inscription of 1396 A.D. of Udaipur. I Jalyodhara Gachchha originated from the village named Joraudra. This name has been mentioned in an inscription of 1156 A.D. which has been discovered at Ajārī in Sirohi State. This Gachchha was especially connected with Modhavamsa from 1169 A.D. to 1166 A.D.

Bhīmapalliya Gachchha is a branch of Pūrņimā Gachchha and originated from the village named Bhīmapalliya. It is, therefore, known as Bhīmapalliya Gachchha. It is mentioned in the inscription of 1,541 A.D. found at Jodhpur.⁸ Kuṭuvapurā Gachchha is one of the branches of Tapā Gachchha. It started from the place named Kuṭuvapurā. It was prevalent at Nāḍlāī in the early 16th century. Indranandi of this Gachchha installed the images in 1512 A.D., 1513 A.D. and 1514 A.D. at this place.⁸

OTHER REMAINING GACHCHHAS:

(1) Sub-branches of Kharatara Gaohohha: It is mentioned in the pathwalis that Madhukharatara Sākhā was the first Gachchha-bheda which started in about 1107 A.D. from Jinavallabha Sūri. Laghukharatara Sākhā, the third schism, was founded by Jina Siriha Sūri in 1274 A.D. In 1365 A.D., Vegaḍa Śākhā took its rise founded by Dharma-Vallabha Gaṇi. It remained dominant from the 16th century to the 19th century in Jaisalmer. It was the fourth Gachchha-bheda. In 1507 A.D., Achāryīya Kharatara Śākhā arose founded by Āchārya Śāntisāgāra in Marudeśa. This is the sixth division. In 1629 A.D., there originated the Laghuyāchāryīya Kharatara Śākhā from Āchārya Jinasāgara Sūri occasioned by Harshanandana, pupil of Samaya Sundara. This is the eighth Gachchha-bheda in the Kharatara sect.⁶

(2) GACHCHHAS FOUND IN MARWAR: Marwar remained the chief centre of the Jaina religion, therefore, the followers of the different Gachchhas resided here. Siddhānti Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1508 A.D. found out at Jodhpur. Jāpadāna Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1477 A.D. of Nagaur. An inscription (19th century) referring to Kavala

NJI., No. 1059.
 APJLS., No. 408.
 NJI., No. 604.

^{4.} NJI., Nos. 849, 850 and 851. 5. NJI., Pt. III. 6. 1A., XI, pp. 248-249

NJI., No. 597.
 Ibid., No. 1288.

Gachchha is engraved on the pillar of the Jaina temple at Rainapura.1 The name of Tāvadāra Gachchha is found in the inscription of 1442 A.D. of the Jaina temple of Munisuvrata at Jodhpur.8

- (3) GACHCHHAS FOUND IN JAISALMER STATE: In Jaisalmer State, Tainism flourished greatly because of its situation in the heart of the desert. Vāranīva Gachchha is mentioned in the two inscriptions of 1105 A.D. and 1281 A.D. discovered at Jaisalmer.8 Saravala Gachchha seems to be in existence in the 12th and 13th centuries in this area.4 In 1364 A.D., Isvara Suri of Bahada Gachchha performed the installation ceremony of the image of Sumatinatha.5
- (4) GACHCHHAS FOUND IN JAIPUR STATE: Some Gachchhas are also found to be mentioned in the inscriptions of Jaipur. In 1472 A.D., the image of Padmaprabhu was set up by Bhākhara through Vajreśvara Sūri of Chānachāla Gachchha.6 In 1452 A.D., Sivarāja celebrated the consecration ceremoney of the image of Kunthunatha through Padmananda of Raja Gachchha.7 Chhahitera Gachchha is mentioned in the inscription of 1555 A.D. found on the Panchatirthi in the Jaina temple of Jaipur.8
- (5) GACHCHHAS FOUND IN MEWAR: There are some Gachchhas which are not known to have been in existence at any other place except Mewar. The inscription of 1317 A.D. with the name of Prava Gachchha is found at Udaipur.9 In 1144 A.D., Kanudeva of Devabhidita Gachchha performed the installation ceremoney of the image through Sīla Sūri of Devabhidita Gachchha.10 The inscription of 1439 A.D. with the name of Nitthati Gachchha¹¹ is engraved.
- (6) COMMON GACHCHHAS: Tharapadriva Gachchha and Thiradra Gachchha seem to be the one and the same Gachchha. In the 12th century, it was in existence in Sirohi State.12 In the 15th century, it seems to be prevalent in Jaisalmer. 18 The earliest mention of Pippala Gachchha is in the inscription of 1151 A.D. found at Kotata in Sirohi State.14 It was in existence from the 14th century to the 16th century in Jaisalmer. 18 Mahukara Gachchha also seems to be known by the name of Madhukara Gachchha which is mentioned

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1. NJI., No. 717.
                                  2. NJI., No. 616.
                                                         NJI., Nos. 2218 & 2232.
4. Ibid., Nos. 2220-22, & 2415.
                                  5 Ibid., No. 2269.
                                                         6. Ibid., No. 1159.
7. Ibid., No. 1174.
                                  8. Ibid., No. 1194.
                                                         9. Ibid., 1042.
NJI., No. 1998.
                                 11. Ibid., 1078.

    APJLS. Nos. 9, 454 & 466.
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^{13.} NJI., Pt. III.

NJI. No. 966. 15. NJI., Pt. III.

in the inscription of 1436 A.D. discovered at Rohidā in Sirohi State. It is also mentioned in the inscriptions of 1470 A.D. and 1506 A.D. discovered at Alwar and Jaisalmer respectively. Bokadiyā Gachchha seems to have been prevalent in the area of Jaipur and Nagaur in the 14th and 15th centuries.

SAMGHAS AND GANAS IN DIGAMBARAS:

MÜLA SAMOHA: The oldest Samgha in the Digambaras is Müla Samgha. From the inscription of 1100 A.D., it is known that it was founded by Kundakunda. But this inscription is of a later period, so there is some difficulty in accepting it. The Pajāvalīr inform us that it was established by Māghanandi before Kundakunda. There are two inscriptions of about 4th and 5th centuries respectively in which there is the mention of the Mūla Samgha and its teachers. It seems that the Mūla Samgha was established in the 2nd century A.D. after the division of the Jaina community into the Digambaras and the Śvetāmbaras.

The line (amaya) of Kundakunda seems to have started from Kundakunda who was then a great monk of the Digambaras sect of the Jainas. Kundakunda along with the six teachers in succession is mentioned in the topper plate inscription of 466 A.D.7 If we take 150 years for the six teachers, the time of the first teacher Guṇachandra will be about 316 A.D. Gunachandra was not actually the pupil of Kundakunda but only in his line. Therefore, Kundakunda must have lived in the 2nd century A.D., at least 100 years before Guṇachandra. It seems that in the beginning, Müla Samgha and Kundakundānvaya were separated from each other, because there is no mention of Kundakundānvaya in the inscription in which Mūla Samgha is mentioned and of the Mūla Samgha in the inscription in which Kundakundānvaya is mentioned.8 In course of time, Mūla Samgha and Kundakundānvaya hay be safely traced back to the second century A.D.

Mula Samgha, in course of time, became associated with Balātkāra Gaṇa which seems to have derived its name Balātkāra Gaṇa (powerful gaṇa?)

APJLS., No. 575.

^{3.} NJL, Nos., 1167, 1169 and 1246.

^{5.} I.A., XX p. 341.

^{7.} Ibid., No. 95.

^{2.} NJI., Pt. I & III.

^{4.} JSLS., Pt. I. No. 55.

JSLS., Pt. II Nos. 90 & 94.

^{8,} JSLS., Pt. II Nos. 90, 94 and 95,

from its ancestor, Arhadbalin, who was also known as Guptigupta, the master of Māghanandi. Its earliest mention is found in the inscription of the 11th century³ but it was in existence considerably earlier. Afterwards, this was distinguished by the term Sarasvatī. In the 14th century A.D., this name seems to have come from the miracle of the pontiff Padmanandi who is said to have made a stone figure of Sarasvatī speak.²

DRĀVIDA SAMGHA: This has been described as a schimatic Samgha according to the author of the Dardamsäña. It was established by Vajranandi in 478 A.D. in Drāvida country³ near Madras and therefore it was known as Drāvida Samgha. The time assigned to the foundation of this Samgha seems to be correct. Vajranandi was a pupil of Achārya Pujyapādasvāmin who lived in the time of the king Durvinīta and the king remained the pupil of Pujyapāda. Durvinīta ruled from 478 A.D. to 513 A.D. It seems that in the life time of Āchārya Pujyapāda, his pupil Vajranandi established an independent Samgha.

KāSHṭHĀ SAMGHA: KāShṭhĀ Saṃgha has been also considered as a heretical sect by the author of the Darianazīra like Drāvida Saṃgha. Kumārasena, who had fallen from grace, did not take to the life of monkhood but established a separate Saṃgha known as KāshṭhĀ Saṃgha in 696 A.D.⁵ Nothing can be said definitely about the time assigned to this Saṃgha.

Māthura Samgha: Māthura Samgha is a heretical sect, which according to the author of the Darianasīra, was founded by Rāmasena two hundred years after the establishment of Kāshṭhā Samgha.* The Samgha was named after Māthura Deśa now known as Madurā in southern India. The time assigned to it also does not seem to be correct, but there is no doubt that it came into existence after Kāsḥṭhā Samgha.

No Samghas in Early Period: In early times, the names of the Achāryas were not associated with the Samghas. Wherever there is a reference to Āchārya, it is only his name that is mentioned. The name of a Gaṇa or Samgha is not given along with him as became the custom in the later period. This is evident from a number of inscriptions of later period found at several places in Rajasthan. A few instances are quoted here. At

JSLS., No. 208.

JBBRAS., No. XLIV, Vol. XVII, p. 163 and Peterson's Report 1883-84.

^{3.} Darśanasāra, p. 12. 4. Darśanasāra, p. 38. 5. Ibid., p. 14. 6. Ibid., p. 17.

Rupanagar, one mile and a half to the south of Kishangarh, there are three Jaina memorial pillars. The inscription on the pillar of 961 A.D. says that this is the nishedhika of Meghasenacharya set up after his death by his pupil Vimalasena. From the inscription on the second pillar, it is known that Padmasenāchārya died in 1019 A.D. and that the pillar was erected by Chitranandin. There is also the memorial pillar of 1009 A.D. of Nemidevāchārya and Baladevāchārva at Ihalrapatan.2 An inscription on the pedestal of the standing image of Anantanatha in the Digamabara Jaina temple at Naugama in Alwar State of 1118 A.D. records that the image was set up by Narendrakirtithe disciple of Acharya Vijayakîrti.8 An inscription on the pedestal of the Jaina image of Santinatha in the same temple of 1138 A.D. records that the image was erected by Pt. Gunachandra for Acharva Guntanandi. An inscription on the lintel of the temple of Siva, which originally appears to be a Jaina temple near the temple of Bālājī at Pūrānāghāta about three miles from the city of Jaipur of 1160 A.D., mentions the names of Acharva Vaijraka, his pupil Chhatrasena and his brother in faith Ambarasena, From these instances, it is clear that the Digambara Acharvas were not associated with any Sariigha in Rajasthan.

The above mentioned Sarighas were founded in the South and operated there; but later on, they appeared in the North among the Digambaras. It is not clear why and how this migration took place. It is just possible that by the persecutions of the Saivas, the Digambara saints and the Jaina laity of the south migrated to Gujarat and Rajasthan where they formed the same Samighas. It is also possible to suggest that the Digambaras of the North might have imitated the Samighas of the South.

Māthura Sangha in Rajasthan: Māthura Sangha seems to have remained dominant in Rajasthan during the eleventh and twelfth centuries. At this time, images were installed by the Āchāryas of this Sangha at different places. There is a mention of Pandita Mahāsena of Māthura Sangha in the inscription of 1158 A.D. on the stone image of Brahmāni in the Jaina temple of Baghera. Yaśakīrti appears to be the influential Āchārya who performed the consecration ceremony of the white

^{1.} PRAS., WC., 1910-1911, p. 43.

^{3.} Ibid., 1919-20 No. 3.

^{5.} Ibid., 1920-21 No. 3.

ARRMA., 1912-13.

^{4.} Ibid., 1919-20 No. 4.

^{6.} Viravāņi, VI, p. 355,

stone image now placed in the temple of Singhlil at Sanganer in 1167 A.D.1 and the white marble image of Padmaprabhu now found at Marotha in 1175 A.D.3 This function was organized by Kuladhara, son of Manoratha, who seems to be a rich Sravaka. In 1175 A.D., Hetva and his son Vilhana also installed the image of Mārotha through the same Yasakīrti.8 The author of the Bijaulia inscription of 1170 A.D. was Gunabhadra, a Mahamuni who beloged to the Mathura Samgha. An inscription of 1176 A.D. engraved on one side of a four-sided massive Jaina pillar in the Jaina temple at Rūpāheli, near Udaipur, records that the pillar was erected by Padmaśri, a female disciple of Ajikā belonging to the Māthura Samgha.5 In later period, this Sampha probably disappeared from Rajasthan because we do not find its mention anywhere.

Kāshthā Samgha in Rajasthan: Kāshthā Samgha seems to have flourished mostly in Punjab and Malwa, and Agravalas generally remained associated with it. Most probably, the images and the manuscripts of this Sanigha found in Rajasthan were either brought later from outside or installed by Agravalas of Rajasthan. In Rajasthan, there were still some places which somehow remained associated with this Sampha. The work of restoration and repairs of the famous temple of Rishabhadeva of Dhuleva near Udaipur was carried out by the followers of this Samgha. The inscription of 1374 A.D. tells us that Hardana, the son of Saha Vija, restored this temple at the instructions of Bhattaraka Dharmakirti of Kashtha Samgha. From the inscription of 1515 A.D., it is clear that Kadivapoiva of Kachchlu Gotra with his son and wife constructed a hall and a shrine in the time of Bhattaraka Yasakirti of Kashtha Samgha. Bhoja, son of Sanghi Alaha of the Bhagheravala caste, celebrated the installation ceremony of the newly constructed temple with the members of his family in the time of Bhttāraka Surendrakirti. Through the influence of the same Bhattaraka. Bhupata constructed a small shrine in 1697 A.D.6 From some inscriptions and prasastis of manus-1. Viravani, V, p. 41.

^{2.} संबत १२३२ फाल्गुन सुदी १० माथुर संघे पंडिताचार्य श्री यशकीति भक्त श्रेष्ठि मनोरय सुत कलचन्द्र लक्ष्मीय श्रीयसे करितेय ।

^{3.} संवत १२३२ फाल्गुन सुदी १० माथुर संघे पंडिताचार्य श्री यशकीति भवतेन साह हेत्याकेन पुत्र वील्हण हतेन श्रेय संकारितेय ।

^{4.} E.I., XXIV, p. 84.

AKRMA, 1925-26, No. 3.

Udaipur Rājya kā Itihāsa, p. 41.

cripts, it is known that the ancient Vagada province, now including the area of Dungarapur, Banswara and Pratapagarah, was the headquarter of this Samgha.

MŪLASAMGHA IN RAJASTHAN: The Mūlasamgha remained very dominant in Rajasthan from the fourteenth century to the nineteenth century A.D., and its Achāryas remained related mostly with the Khandelavāla Jainas. By their influence, the installation ceremony of the images and that of temples took place. Various copies of the manuscripts have been also prepared.

There is a divergence of traditions found in Pattavalis1 not only of succession but also about the residence or migrations of the Pontiffs of the Mülasarigha. The four Pattavalls agree on the main points but the fifth Pattāvalī presents considerably different traditions. The fifth Pattāvalī closes with the name of Subhachandra who reigned upto 1443 A.D. Hence this is the oldest Pattavall and as such, the information supplied by it seems to be correct. The Pattāvalīs tell us that the first 26 pontificates took place in Bhaddalapura. According to the four Pattāvalīs, Bhaddalapura is in Malwa, while the fifth pattavali tells us correctly that it was in the south. After that, the 27th Pontiff transferred his seat from Bhaddalapura to Ujjain according to all Pattavalis. From Ujjain, Maghachandra II, the 13rd Pontiff, shifted his seat to Baran in Kota state in about 1083 A.D. Down to No 63 or 64 the pontificates took place in Baran. From here, 14 pontificates, took place in Gwalior down to 77 according to the four Pattāvalīsbut the fifth Pattavali tells us correctly that ten pontificates were established at Chitor and four at Baghera. This is further confirmed from the fact that there was the existence of a prosperous coloney of Digambara Jainas on the hill at Chitor at the time of Kumarapala:2 and Bagheravalas were converted to Jainism, and Jaina temples were built at Baghera in about eleventh century A.D.3 From the 78th Pontiff Vasantakirti, the seat was transferred to Aimer in about 1208 A.D. according to all the Pattavalis.

From the 84th Pontiff Padmanandi, the seat was transferred to Delhi in about 1328 A.D. according to the four Paṭṭāvalīs but the fifth Paṭṭāvalī tells us correctly that it was transferred to Idar in ancient Vāgada province.

Tha first Pattionals was published in Peterson's Report 1883-84; the second, third and
footth Pattionals are given in I.A., XX and the fifth Pattional is found in I.A., XXI,
p. 58.
 PRAS, w.c. 1903-04, p. 46.

^{3.} EI., XXIV, p. 84 (Bijaulia Inscription, Verses 82-83).

Padmanandi was especially associated with Vagada province. A certain Srāvaka of Vāgada called Prabhāchandra II of Ajmer was invited for the purpose of performing a consecration ceremony of images but he could not come. Then after giving the Surimantra to the Acharya Padmanandi, the Śrāvaka conferred on him the title of Bhattāraka. Thus, Padmanandi became the Bhattaraka in 1328 A.D. of Vagada. The term Bhattaraka is applied to a particular type of Jaina ascetics who unlike Munis assumed the position of religious rulers and enjoyed supreme authority in religious matters.

After Padmanandi, separations took place among his successive teachers. These separations were not actually the schisms but seem to be based on temperaments. Padmanandi had two pupils namely Sakalakirti and Subhachandra. During his life time, the separation took place between his two pupils. One section under Subhachandra moved to Chitor, while the other continued to live under Sakalakīrti. Again under Jinachandra, the 86th Pontff, the disagreement arose between his two disciples namely Prabhāchandra and Ratnakīrti. Prabhāchandra continued to live at Chitor, but one section under Ratnakīrti moved to Nagaur. Again, differences arose at Nagaur; and one section continued to reside at Nagaur, while the other under Ratnakīrti shifted to Aimer. From Chitor, it came to Chatsu in the time of Chandrakirti. After that, it migrated to Sanganer, Anva, Amber and lastly to Jaipur.

No activities of the early Bhattarakas before Padmanandi are known in Rajasthan from any other source. No doubt, there is a mention of Müla Sariigha in the inscriptions of 1170 A.D.1 and 1186 A.D.2 but without any reference to any Bhattaraka. From Padmanandi onwards, we possess some knowledge about their activities. They performed the installation ceremony of temples and images and encouraged the preparation of a large number of manuscripts. Their pādukās and nishedhikās are also found.

PADMANANDI: According to the Pattavalis, Padmanandi became Bhattaraka in 1325 A.D. This date seems to be doubtful as he was living in 1415 A.D. He did enjoy such a long age as known from the Pattavalis and he.

^{1.} संवत १२२७ मात्र सुदी १३ श्री मूलसघे सा. लोला पुत्र आतम् प्रणमति नित्यं।

⁽Inscription in Jain temple at Jaipur.) 2. संबत १२४३ वैज्ञास सुदी १५ श्री मुठसंधे देव श्री बासुपुज्य प्रतिमा साधु हारूण सुत बर्डमान तथा मातदेव तथा साधु पुत्र मारियाञ्डेक प्रतिकाणियमिति । (Inscription on the Jaina image found in the neighbourhood of Phāidina kā Jhompark, Ajmer. See JRASB, VII, Pt. I, p. 51.)

therefore, must have become Bhattaraka sometime after 1325 A.D. He was an influential Bhattāraka who is said to have caused a stone figure of Sarasvatī to speak. From this miracle, Mula Samgha was distinguished by the term Sarasvati. He made the installation ceremony of images from time to time. The image with the inscription of 1400 A.D. was installed at his bidding.1 He had two disciples namely Viśālakīrti and Nemichanda who also set up images in his time. From the inscription of 1413 A.D. engraved on the images discovered at Tonk, it is clear that VIlhana and his sons got installed several images by his pupil Viśālakīrti,.2 In 1415 A.D., Asapāla on his preaching set up the image of Parsvanatha, In the same year, the consecration ceremony of the image was performed by Apa through his pupil Nemichanda.4

SAKALAKĪRTI: After Padmanandi, Sakalakīrti became the head of the seat of Vagada in about 1420 A.D. He was the highly respected saint of medieval times and had also a good reputation for his scholarship. He wandered from place to place for the propagation of Jainism. In 1424 A.D., he came to Badali where he spent the rainy season with his Samgha.5 Several images were installed by him from time to time. There is a mention of his name in the inscription of 1430 A.D. found on the image in the Digambara Jaina temple at Abu. 6 It is known from the inscription of 1433 A.D. that as a result of his preaching, Nīsala with his wife, sons and brothers set up the Chaubīsī with Ādinātha as a Mülanāyaka.7 In 1435 A.D., Champā set up the image of Santinatha after hearing his discourses.8 He is said to have passed away in 1442 A.D. at Mahasana in Gujarat.

BHUVANAKĪRTI: After Sakalakīrti, Bhuvanakīrti became the Pattadhara. He was also a scholar like his predecessor. The consecration function of several images was performed by him. The installation ceremony of the Trimurti was presided over by him in 1443 A.D.9 In 1458 A.D., Nahuya, the son of Sārā, performed the Dasalakshana Yantra pratishthā on his

^{1,} NJI, No. 1009. 2. Viravānī, VII. 3. Anekānia, XIII, p. 126. 4. Ibid., 5. JGPS, p. 10 (Int.)

^{7.} संवत १४९० वर्षे वैशास सुदी ९ श्री मलसंघे नदीसंघे बलात्कार गणे सरस्वती गच्छे श्री कृन्दकृन्दा-

चार्यान्वये भट्टारक श्री पद्मनंदि तत्पट्टे श्री सकलकीति उपदेशात् हुबड् जाति गांधी जीसल भार्या गांगी सुत श्री गोइंद भार्या अरब भात खीमा भार्या राह भात नाना भार्या फटक मातुमाला भार्या मरगदी मूलनायक श्री आदिनाथ प्रतिष्ठु कारापित गोत्रे श्री कमलेश्वर स्वकर्म क्षयार्थं।

^{8.} Anekānta, XIII, p. 126,

^{9.} In the Jaina temple at Jaipur.

instructions.¹ In 1419 A.D., Sura of his line celebrated the consecration ceremony.² As a result of his preaching, Chāpā and his wife Gangā performed the installation ceremony of some yantra in 1471 A.D.²

JÑĀNABHŪSHANA: After Bhuvanakīrti, Jñānabhūshana became the Bhaṭṭṭraka. There is a yantra of 1377 A.D. consecrated by him in the Jaina temple of Udaipur. On his advice, Rāma with his wife and son set up the image of Mahāvīra in 1487 A.D. 6

OTHER BHTTAĀRAKAS OF THIS SRAT: Jñānabūshaṇa was succeeded by Vijayaktii in about 1500 A.D. At his discourses, Sreshṭhi Melā with his wife, son and brothers made the pratishthā of Samavalaraṇa of Ādinātha in 1513 A.D.⁸ Then Subhachandra became the Bhaṭṭāraka in about 1515 A.D. He was a well known scholar who wrote a large number of works in a period between 1515 A.D. and 1556 A.D. His earliest work is Abbyatmatarangiṇā and the latest work written by him in 1556 A.D. is the Sanskrit commentery on the Sāmikārttikeyāmupreksbā. On his instructions, Dhannā and his wife Dhannāde set up the metal image of Pārsvanātha in 1538 A.D.⁹ In 1550 A.D., Sreshḥi Sāvara with his brothers, wife and son celebrated the function of Jñānanirvāna on his preachings.⁸ After his discourses, Sīpāla erected the image of Sāntinātha in 1551 A.D.⁹ He was succeeded by Sumatikīri. On his instructions, Sāha Jayavanta with his wife and brothers set up the metal

संबत १५१५ माच मुत्ती ११ ओ मूलसंघे बलात्कार गणे सरस्वती गच्छे थी कुदकुदवायांत्वये
 संबत सक्लकाति तस्व, ओ भूवनकाति तदुवयदेशात हुबबुझातीय श्री सारा युत्र नाहवा इदं नित्य प्रणमति । (In the temple of Chaudhars, Jaipur.)

सबत १५१६ वर्षे चैत्रवदि ५ गुरी श्री मृत्तसंघे म. श्री मृबनकीति आम्नाये सुरा सा. साहाली मृत प्रमाणका हाला ऐते श्री अवित चिन प्रणमति । (On the metal image in the temple of Lunakarana, Jisipur.)

^{3.} सबत १५२८ वर्षे वैशास विद १ मूलसंघे श्री भुवनकीति उपदेशात् सं. चापा भागी गंगा नित्यं प्रणमति। (Inscription on a Yntra in the temple of Chaudharis, Jaipur.)

NJI., No 1120.
 Anckānta, XII. P. 126.

सवत १५७० वर्षे पोष —— एते श्री आदिजिन समब्रारण नित्यं प्रणमित ।

संबन १५९५ वर्षे वैशाख मुदी ३ सोमे मूळसंघे मट्टारक श्री शुमचन्द्र उपदेशात् धन्ना भार्या घन्नादे नित्य प्रणमति ।

^{8.} सबत १६०७ वर्षे वैशास बदी गुरी वाग्बड़ देशे सागबाड़ा गुमस्थाने राजा रावल आवकरण विजय राज्ये श्री आदिनाय कैपालले श्री मुलसंघे महारक श्री शुमबन्द गुरूपदेशात ह. विराजा गोन सावर मा. लडकू बुत श्रे तेता, सा. रंगी, आ. थे गदो, आ. विनदास, मा. सरूपदे एतेन कर्मज्ञान निर्वाण कर्रपायाकोस्था (In the temple of Laskara, Jaipur.)
9. NJI, No. 520.

image of Padmaprabhu in 1563 a.D.¹ He installed the images of Munisuvatas² and Anantanātha³ in 1562 a.D. and 1570 a.D. respectively. After him, Gupakfrti became the Bhaṭṭāraka. He was succeeded by Vādibhīshaṇa. On his advice, Āsā of Idar with his wife Lakshmī and daughter Jhilā installed the image of Neminātha.⁴ An inscription on the pedestal of a stone image of Stalanātha in the Svetāmbara Jaina temple at Maujīpura in Alwar State records that it was set up by Humbada Lāla and Galā resident of Hardoya in 1597 a.D. as a result of his preaching.⁵ After his discourses, Hansa with his wife and son performed the installation ceremony of Shoḍaśakāraṇa yantra in 1604 a.D.°

After him, Rāmakīrti became the Bhaṭṭāraka. He was succeeded by Padmanandi II. At his preaching, the consecration ceremony was performed by Ratnā. Then, Devendrakīrti became his patṣadhara. He was succeeded by Kshemakīrti. By the influence of his discourses, Saṅghī Dīgaladāsa, Mānaka, Nemidāsa, Anantadāsa, Somadāsa and Ratnā erected the image of Sāntinātha in 1639 A.D.8 Soma² with the whole Saṁgha constructed the parāgāra in the Jaina temple of Ādinātha at Sāgavādā. After him, Narendrakīrti, Vijayakīrti II, Nemichanda, Chandrakīrti, Rāmaklīrti, Yaśakīrti, Surendrakīrti, Ramachandrakīrti and Kanakakīrti became the Bhaṭṭārakas of the seat of Idar one after another in succession.

BHATTĀBAKAS OF THE SEAT OF CHITOR: During the life time of Padmanandi, Subhachandra separated from Sakalakitti and established his own Paṭṭa at Chitor in about 1415 A.D. At this time, Mewar became a centre of Jainism under the royal patronage of Kumbhakaraṇa. The famous Jaina

संवत १६२० वर्षे वैशास सुदी ९ वृषे श्री मूलसवे सरस्वती गच्छे — म. श्री सुमतिकीर्ति गुरूपदेशालु हुवड्यातीय सरले गोत्रे सा तिराउत मा. घरासुत सा रामा मा. रामारे सु. सवयवंत मा. कर्मदी मा. सोगा. यथा. मा. रापितछेड से पणप्रभ जिल बिस्त निर्ण्य प्रणाति होता.

^{2.} NJI., No 1636.

^{3.} Ibid., No 631.

^{4.} Anekānta, XIII, p. 126.

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^{6.} Inscription in the temple of Patodi at Jaipur.

संवत १६६१ वर्षे माहसुदी सोमे श्री मूळसंघे भ श्री वादिभूषण गुरूपदेशात् हंसा भा. टोकु सु. वारा भा. वीरमाहतान्यं सोडस कारण यत्र नित्यं प्रणमति ।

^{7.} Anekānta, XIII, p. 127,

^{8.} Ibid.

^{9.} संबत १७५१ ज्यंक झुनै ५ सोमे बाग्बडदेशे झारणतेन श्री मृत्वसे नौतेन बादिनाय चैत्याक्ये सरस्की ज्ये बलाकार गणे झुन्तुव्यायांन्वये म. श्री तकल्काति ततानाये म. श्री परमांद ततानायां म. श्री देशमं के बलाका के बलाका के स्वाद्यां के सोमा तत्रा समस्त श्री संघ परनर काराणिया नित्य प्रमानि ।

Kīrtistambha was also built. The two Bijaulia inscriptions of 1405 A. D. and 1426 A.D. speak of a nishadhikā of a Jaina nun named Bāī Āgamasiri and of a nishadhikā of Hemakīrti, pupil of Subhachandra respectively. With regard to these nishadhikār, a wish has been expressed that they may be endured as long as the Sun and Moon last. On the same pillar that bears the second inscription are sculptured the foot-prints of some saints or pontiffs. On one side is engraved the name of Bhaṭṭāraka Srī Padmanandideva and on the other of Bhaṭṭāraka Srī Subhachandra. At Ānvā near Uniara in Jaipur district, there is a nishadhikā of Subhachandra.

Subhachandra was followed by Jinachandra in about 1450 A.D. Under his inspiration many-sided activities for the propagation of Jainism received an impetus. Copies of several manuscripts such as \$ripalacharitra? Pradyumna-charitra? and Varddhamānacharitra? were prepared in his time and probably inspired by him. A number of temples were built and images were placed in them. There is a Chaubīsī consecrated by Hararāja of his line in 1460 A.D.5 In 1466 A.D.5, Sāha Dhatmasī with his wife and sons celebrated the consecration ceremony in his time. The installation cermony of the metal image of Pārśwanātha was also performed through him in 1485 A.D.7 Jīvarāja Pāpadlvāla at his instructions performed the installation ceremony of a large number of images at Muṇḍāṣā in the reign of Rāvala Slīvasinha in 1461 A.D.9 The city Muṇḍāṣā seems to be in Gujarat; but from there, these images were sent to the seats of Jainism in different parts of Rajasthan. He enjoyed a long life because Sāha Seda with his wife and sons performed the Yantra praisisthā

PRAS, wc., 1904-05, p. 57.

^{2.} PS, p. 177.

^{3.} Ibid., p. 138.

^{4.} Ibid., p. 170.

सवत १५१७ वर्षे माघ मुदो १० रवौ श्री मूळसंघे भट्टारक श्री जिनवन्द्रदेवा खंडेलवालान्वये साह हरराज भागी नाहक पत्र तादा लाहड । (Jaina temple of Patodi, Jaipur.)

^{6.} सवत १५२३ वर्षे जवाइ सुरी २ तृह श्री मूलसम्रे मृट्टारक श्री पमानंदिदेवा तत्पट्टे श्री सुमवन्द्रदेवा तत्पट्टे श्री जिनवन्द्रदेवा वर्षेरवाल ज्ञाति सिरवाइया गोत्रे साह धर्मसी भाषी सरू पुत्र लाखा वर्रासम्, हीरा, नरवन्द नित्यं प्रणमिति । (Jaina temple Siramauriya, Jaipur.)

सबत १५३२ वर्षे वैशाल सुदी ७ श्री मुलसंथे भट्टारक जिनचन्द्रदेवा बघेरवालान्वये साह टीकव पुत्र काना भार्या धर्मसी तस्य पुत्र श्री बछमाउ नित्यं प्रणमति ।

संबत १५१८ वर्षे वैद्यास सुदी ३ श्री मूलसंघे भट्टारक श्री जिनचन्द्रदेवा साह जीवराज पापड़ीवाला नित्यं प्रणमित राजा क्योसिंह रावल शहर मुझसा ।

in 1514 A.D. when Jinachandra was living.1 There is also a nishednikā of Jinachandra at Anvā.

Prabhāchandra came after Jinachandra in about 1515 A.D. By his persuasion, a large number of manuscripts were written for presentation to the monks. His followers got copies of the manuscripts such as Madanaparājaya,2 Kriyākalāpastuti, \$ Śrīpālacharitra, Karakandacharitra, Bāhubalicharitra and Ratnakaranda prepared in 1519 A.D. 1522 A.D., 1524 A.D., 1527 A.D. and 1535 A.D. respectively. In 1518 A.D. Bai Parvati got the Yasodharacharitra written and presented to him.8 Saha Dodu got the Yasodharacharitra written and gave it to Bramha Vidā, pupil of Bhattāraka Prabhāchandra.º Images and Yantras were also installed through him in 1515 A.D. Saha Tila of his line performed the Charanavantra pratishtha in 1116 A.D.10 In the same year, Raho with his wife, son and daughter-in-law celebrated the installation ceremony of Samvakchāritravantra through him.11 His Nishedhikā also exists at Ānvā.

After Prabhāchandra, Dharmachandra became the Bhattāraka in about 1518 A.D. Under his patronage and inspiration, various copies of manuscripts were prepared at different places for presentation to him and his disciples. With a view to propagating Jainism, he proceeded to Nagaur where his devotees got the copies of the Uttarapurana satīka, 12 Pravachanasāra-prābhritavritti,18 Karmaprakriti14 and Parśvanathacharitra15 written in 1520 A.D. in order to present him. In 1526 A.D., a copy of the Chandraprabhacharitra was made at Chātsu as a result of his discourses. 16 In 1528 A.D., Kodamade got a copy of the Shatpāhuda written for offering him.17 Sāha Kīlhā made a copy of the

^{1.} संबत १५७१ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदी २ सोमे श्री मलसंघे कृत्वकृत्ववार्यात्वये भ श्री जिनचन्द्रदेवा तदाम्नाये खंडेलवालान्वये नोठवाड़ गोत्रे सा सेंड भा मुहागदे तस्य पुत्र नथमल, देवदास, धर्मदास, नथमल पुत्र लाजू, चाइण मंडण एते प्रणमति।

^{2.} PS., p. 154. 3. Ibid., p. 98.

^{4.} Ibid., p. 177. 5. Ibid., p. 96. 6. Ibid., p. 147-7. Ibid., p. 167.

^{8.} Ibid., p. 163. 9. Ibid., p. 164.

^{10.} संवत १५७३ फाल्गण सूदी ३ श्री मलसंघे भट्टारक श्री जिनचन्द्रदेवा तत भट्टारक श्री प्रभाचन्द्रदेवा खंडेलवालान्वये छावडा गोत्रे सा. टीला प्रणमति ।

^{11.} संवत १५७३ फागुण सुदी ३ श्री मूलसंघे सरस्वती गच्छे बलान्कार गणे भट्टारक श्री कृन्दकृन्द-चार्यान्वये भ. जिनचन्द्रदेवा तत्पट्टे श्री प्रभाचन्द्रदेवा तदाम्नाये खडेलवालान्वये काला गीत्रे श्री रोही भार्या कामा तत्पत्र पद्मा भा. पद्मसि नित्यं प्रणमति ।

^{13.} Ibid., pp. 36 & 37. 12. PS., p.2, 14. Ibid., p. 96, 15. Ibid., p. 131. 16. Ibid., p. 99. 17. Ibid., p. 174.

Pāṇāavapurāuat ready in 1545 A.D. to give it to his pupil Kamalakīrti. În 1554, Sāha Mahārāja prepared the Pārsīvanāthasbaritra for his presentation.²

Besides other copies of manuscripts such as the Sukumālacharita[®] in 1526 A.D., Bhavishyadattacharita[®] in 1532 A.D., Varāhgacharitar[®] and Isatpāhuḍā⁷ in 1537 A.D., Varāhgacharitar[®] and Bhavishyadattacharitar[®] in 1538 A.D. and Chandraprababchārita[®] in 1546 A.D., were prepared with the object of offering them as gifts to Sādhus. Several Yantra pratishyhas are also known to have been performed in his time. Tālu¹¹ and Vālamita¹² of his line performed the consecration ceremony of Samyagdarśanayantra and Shodaśakāraṇayantra in 1532 A.D. In 1536 A.D., Sāha Pāsa and Hemā installed the Arham-vantra.¹³

• Dharmachandra was followed by LalitakIrti in about 1546 A.D. A large number of manuscripts were written in his time. In 1573 A.D. A lohara got a copy of the Yaśodharacharitra written for him. 14 At the invitation of the Srāvakas, he went to Todaraisingh where Sāha Tehū and Sāha Pūjā got the copies of the Nāgakumāracharitra, 15 and Yaśodharacharitra prepared in order to offer him as present. Besides other copies of manuscripts such as the Upāsakādhyayana 17 in 1566 A.D. Śrenikacharitra 18 in 1570 A.D., Varddhamānacharitra 18 in 1574 A.D. and Sudarsanacharitra 19 in 1575 A.D. were made ready by his followers for presenting them to monks.

Chandrakītti became Bhaṭṭāraka after Lalitakītti in about 1575 A.D. He seems to have removed his seat from Chitor and established it at Chātsu as known from the inscription of 1604 A.D. that he was residing at Chātsu.²¹

^{1.} PS., p. 127. 2. Ibid., p. 123. 3. Ibid., p. 200. 4. Ibid., p. 149. 5. Ibid., p. 170. 6. Ibid., p. 88. 7. Ibid., p. 175. 8. Ibid., p. 55.

^{9.} Ibid., p. 148. 10 Ibid., p. 99.

सबत १५९० माघ सुदी ७ श्री मूळसंघे मट्टारक प्रभावन्द्र तत् शिष्य मंडलाचार्य धर्मवन्द्र तदाम्नाये साह घेला भार्या धर्मशी तेजा जीणा भार्या जीणादे तत् पुत्र ताल् प्रणमति । (Temple of Lunakarana)i, Jaipur.)

^{12.} संवत १५९० वर्षे माह मुदी ४ ब्रुवारे श्री मूलसचे नंद्यानावे बलात्कारमणे सरस्वती गच्छे श्री हुतकुदाबार्यान्वये म. श्री प्रभावन्ददेवा तन् शिव्य मट्टारक धर्मबन्ददेवा तदाम्नाये खंडलवालान्वये लूहाड़िया वाषा पाता मा. रीतु तरपुत्र सा. माघावे भा. गरिणत तरपुत्र बाराहृत बालामिता नित्यं प्रणमिति । (Temple of Lunakaranaji, Jaipur.)

^{13.} संवत १५९३ ज्येष्ट मुदी ३ श्री मुलसंधे भट्टारक श्री प्रमाचन्द्रदेवा तत् विषय मंडलावार्य धर्मचन्द्र तदाम्नाये खडेलवालान्वये साह गोत्रे साहतु तद् भार्या हरवसदे तद् पुत्र साह पासा साह हेमा प्रणमति ।

^{14.} P. S., p 163. 15. lbid., p. 77. 16. Ibid., p. 162. 17. Ibid., p. 94.

^{18.} Ibid., p. 169. 19. Ibid., p. 17. 20. Ibid., p. 190. 21. ARAMA., 1927-28, No. 11.

The reason was that Mewar at this time was unsafe and insecure from the political point of view. On the other hand, Châtsu was under Amber rulers who were on friendly relations with Mughal emperors and were patrons of Janism. This was the time of Akbar who followed the policy of religious toleration. It was, therefore, natural that the activities of Jainism progressed. Some of the copies of manuscripts such as Jīvandharacharitra and Pāṇḍava-parāṇa¹ in 1579 A.D., Pahchāttikāŋuprabbrita² in 1580 A.D. and Hariwahiapwaṇa² in 1588 A.D. were prepared by his devotees for offering them to monks of his line.

Besides, Chandraklīti is known to have performed the installation ceremony of images, Yantras and temples. In 1584 A.D., Sāha Mokā, Sāha Kālu, Sāha Chelās and Sāha Ratnār of his line with the members of their respective families separately made the pratishhā of Samangadariana Yantra, Rinkāra Yantra, Karakuṇḍa Pārśvanātha Yantra and Daśalakshaṇa Yantra. In 1591 A.D., Thānasinha went on pilgrimage to Pāvāpurī where he celebrated the installation ceremony of Shoḍaśakāraṇa Yantra at his preaching.⁹ In the same year, Chokhā of his line installed the Samyak chāritra Yantra and Samyag jiāna Yantra with the members of their family.⁹ In 1603 A.D., Sāha Jūtā¹⁰ and Sāha

l. PS., p. 125.

^{2.} Ibid., p. 132.

^{3.} Ibid., p. 73,

^{4.} संवत १६४१ वर्षे फाल्गून वदी ७ तुषवासरे श्री मूल्संघे महारक श्री प्रभावन्द्रदेव, अ. घर्मवन्द्रदेव, अ. श्री चन्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये अदेलवालान्यये वेद गोते सा. मोका मार्या मुक्ता पुत्र सायेण बराहक गिरिराज एते प्रथमित :

संबत १६४१ वर्षे फाल्गुन वदी ७ बुधे श्री मूलसंघे मंडलाचार्य प्रभाचन्द्र तत् मंडलाचार्य श्री धर्मचन्द तन्मडलाचार्य लिलतकीति तत् चद्रकीति तदान्नाये खडेलवालान्यये कराकरा गोत्र साह काल लखमय निर्द्य प्रणमति ।

संबत १६४१ वर्षे फाल्गुन बदी २ बुढे श्री मूलसंघे भः श्री चन्द्रकीति तदामाये खंडेल्बालान्यये सोनी गोशे चेला पु. सा तेजा, सा मोखल सा. मेघचन्द सा तेजा पुत्र दो सा. कल्याण, सा राज नित्यं प्रणम्य ।

संबत १६४१ वर्षे फाल्गुन सुदी ७ बुधे श्री मूलसंघे भ. श्री चन्द्रकीतिदेवा तदाम्नाये खंडेलवालान्वये बोहरा गोत्रे सा. रतना प्र. तईमल प्र. कलाघर, सा अमरा नरहरिदास नित्य प्रणमति ।

संबत १६४८ वंशाख मास पाबापुर नगरे श्री राजा मानांबह श्री मूलसंघे भ. श्री चन्द्रकीर्ति गुरूप देशात् खंडेलबाल साबडा गोत्रे सा. धनराजेन भा. सुहाणदेवीन पुत्र सा पधारप तत सा हेमराज तत भा. हरसमदे पदारप भा. पाटनदे राम तत भा. मीत्रा पुत्र सा सहसमल तत मानांबह तत धानांबह नित्य प्रणमति ।

^{9.} संबत १६४८ वैशाख वदी ५ श्री मूलसंघे भ. श्री चन्द्रकीति खंडेलवालान्वये गंगवाल गोत्रे साह चोखा, भा. धीनी तत्पुत्र धर्मा तद्भार्या इडी तयो पुत्र तेजा नित्यनित्य प्रणमति ।

संवत १६५१ वर्षे माथ सुदी १० शिनक्वरे मूळसंघे चन्द्रकीर्ति तदाम्नाये खंडेळवालान्वये पाटनी गोत्रे साह जूता तत पुत्र साह नानू तत पुत्र साह रतन ।

Jüngā² performed the consecration ceremony of the metal image and Shodasakāraṇayantra through him separately. Bohitha of Ajmer with his sons and grandsons set up Chaubisī through him in 1601 A.D.² In 1604 A.D., Asānātha of his line made the pratishtha of Rinkāra Yantra.⁸ An inscription of 1604 A.D. states that the pillar of the Jaina temple was erected by him when he was residing at Champāvatī (Chātsu).⁴

Chandrakīrii was succeeded by Devendrakīrti in about 1606 A.D. Some copies of the manuscripts were written by his inspiration. In 1605 A.D., he went to Sanganer where Kalyāṇa gave a copy of the Harivainlapurāya⁸ to him in present. Nānu and his wife Nikāde got a copy of the Adipurāya written in the temple of Ādinātha at Todaraisingh and presented to him in 1607 A.D.⁸ A copy of the Nemināthapurāya was prepared in 1617 A.D.⁷ In 1620 A.D., when he went to Chātsu, Sāha Debu offered him a welcome by presenting a manuscript of the Sudarianasbarira.*

Narendrakīrti came after Devendrakīrti in about 1634 A.D. He is known to have performed the installation ceremony of images and Yantras. An inscription of 1649 A.D. engraved on the lower portion of a large pillar records that it was erected in the temple of Neminātha at Chātsu by Bhaṭṭāraka Narendrakīrti.⁰ He went on pilgrimage to holy places such as Girnar and Hastināpura from time to time with the Samgha. In 1652 A.D., Sanghī Tejasī and Udaikaraṇa of Nevaṭā led the Samgha to Girnar where the Yantra-pratishthā was performed by Narendrakīrti.¹⁰ Sanghī Sambhu and Sanghī Nāḍā together celebrated the installation ceremony of Dašalakshaṇa Yantra at his hands in 1653 A.D.¹¹ In 1654 A.D., Jagatasinha in the company of the Chaturvidha-samgha

संदत १६५१ वर्षे माघ मुदी पत्रस्याम गुरौ भट्टारक श्री चन्द्रकीतिदेवा अजमेरा गोत्रे साह जूंगा निषय प्रणमित ।
 संघत १६५८ आषाढ मुदौ १० रिवचारे — अ. श्री चन्द्रकीतिदेवा नदाम्नाये अंडेलवालानये दोसी

गोत्र अजमेर बास्तव्ये सा बील्हा तत्पुत्र त्रय सा तेमा, द्वी. रहय, तृ. सा. क्षन्ना तेमा पुत्र बोहित तत्पुत्र हेमा तत्पुत्र सा. रेक्स, औवा, सा बोहित नित्यं प्रणमित ।

सबत १६६१ वर्षे फाल्गुन मुदी २ श्री मूलसघे मडलाचार्य श्री चम्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये खंडेलबालाम्बये गंगा गोत्रे यला तन्युत्र आसानाथ नित्यं प्रणमति ।

^{4.} ARRMA, 1927-28, p 11. 5. PS. p. 76. 6. Ibid., p. 89.

^{7.} Ibid., p. 28. 8. Ibid., pp. 189-90. 9. ARRMA., 1927-28, No. 12.

^{10.} संवत १७०९ फाल्गुन वदी ७ श्री मूलसचे मट्टारक देवेन्द्रकीति तत शिष्य नरेन्द्रकीति तेजसी संघी उदयकरणाभ्यां नेवटा नगरानु गिरनारगिरि संस्यक प्रतिष्ठापित ।

^{11.} See above, p. 48.

went to Hastināpura where he installed the Samyak Yantra. In 1659 A.D. Jagatasimha also celebrated the installation ceremony of Rinkāra Yantra throuh him. At the same time, his devotee Khemasimha of Amber led a pilgrimage to Hastināpura where the installation ceremony of the Rinkāra Yantra was performed by him. 9

Surendrakīrti became the Paṭṭadhara of Narendrakīrti in about 1665 A.D. In 1672 A.D., he proceeded to Sammedašikhara where his followers named Saṅghavī Naraharidāsa and Saṅghī Pūrvānanda celebrated the installation ceremony of Daśalakshaṇayantra as a result of his preaching. In 1675 A.D., Naraharidāsa and Sukhānanda of Amber and Ghāsītāma with his wife and sons celebrated the consecration ceremony of Pārśvanātha Yantra through him.⁸

Surendrakīrti was succeeded by Jagatakīrti in about 1676 A.D. This was a terrible time and the persecutions of Aurangzeb were going on. The old temples were pulled down and the construction of the new ones was not allowed. In spite of this, the activities for the propagation of Jainism continued because some ruling chiefs of Rajasthan were on friendly terms with Aurangzeb. Some copies of the manuscripts such as Upadešurutnamālā* in 1688 A.D., Padmapurāna* in 1694 A.D. and Shatpālmdautīka* in 1708 A.D. were prepared by his followers in order to present them to Bramhachārī Nāthūrāma, Achārya Subhachandra and Dodarāja, pupils of Jagatakīrti. He also celebrated the consecration ceremony of images and Yantras. In 1684 A.D., Sanghī Sonapāla

सबत १७११ वर्षे चैत्र मुद्दी ४ सोमे श्री मुळसंथे नंद्राग्नाये....भट्टारक श्री नरेन्द्रकीति तदाग्नाये अप्रवालान्वये गर्गे गोत्रे स नंदराम तत्पृत्र रोवाधिपति जगतसिहेन अवावत्याम् चतुर्विधसपेन साह हस्त-नागपुरे समागत्य प्रतिष्ठापिता । जगतसिह नित्य प्रणमिति ।

थ सवत १७१६ वर्षे चैत्र बदी ४ सोमे श्री मूलसंबं —— श्री १०८ नरेन्द्रकीर्ति तदाम्नाये अग्रवालान्वये गर्गगोत्र नदराम पुत्रे संघाविपति जर्गासहेन अवावत्या प्रतिष्ठा कारापिता ।

^{3.} संवत १७१६ वर्षे चैत्र बदी ४ सोमे श्री मूल्यसंघे — मट्टारक श्री नरेन्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये अग्रवालान्यये गर्ग गोत्रे स नंदराम तत्पुत्र संघाघिपति क्षेमसिहेत अबावत्या चतुर्विच सघेन सह हस्तनागपुरे समागत्य प्रतिष्ठापित — जर्गसिंह नित्यं प्रणमित ।

संवत १७२९ फाल्गुन सुदी ९ मूलसंघे बलात्कारगणे सरस्वतीगच्छे भ. श्री सुरेन्द्रकीर्ति तदाम्नाये संबही साह नरहरिदास संघही पूरवानंद प्रतिष्ठायाम मम्मेत शिखरे ।

^{5.} संबत १७३२ वर्षे ज्येष्ट मुदी २ श्री मूलसंघे भट्टारक श्री सुरेन्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये खडेलवालान्यये गृश्रवाल गोत्रे सचही श्री नरहरदास सुखानन्द एता आमेर वास्तव्ये श्री घासीराम तस्य स्त्री घोटमदे तयो पुत्र दो प्रथम पुत्र यादोराय तस्य स्त्री जोतादे द्वितीय पुत्र रायकरण एते प्रतिष्ठा सम्मेद विखर कारिता।

^{6.} Ps. p. 4.

^{7.} Ibid., 29:

^{8.} Ibid, p. 174.

made the Yantra pratishthā at Karavara through him.1 The consecration ceremony of a large number of images was organized by his devotee Sanghi Krishnadāsa at Chāndakhedī in 1689 A.D.2 In 1709 A.D., Dayāladāsa of his line set up the metal image of Pārsvanātha.8

The next Bhattāraka after Jagatakīrti was Devendrakīrti II. Under his patronage, manuscripts were written and the consecration of the images took place. Dhanaraja wrote a copy of the Karmakandasatīka in 1720 A.D. at Amber for the study of Pandita Kisanadasa, pupil of Devendrakirti.4 In 1728 A.D., a specimen of Harivamsapurāna was prepared by his followers for the presentation.⁵ Chhihada and Sagamala performed the installation ceremony of images at Dholeta through him in 1716 A.D.6 In 1726 A.D., the consecration ceremony of images was organized at Bansakhoha by his devotee Hridayarama.? The successor of Devendrakirti II was Mahendrakirti who became

Pontiff in 1735 A.D. He came from Sanganer and established his seat at Amber. It is for this reason Amer Patta started from him. It is further confirmed by a brasasti-8 Copies of the Jambūsvāmīcharitra9 in 1736 A.D., and Trilokadarpana10 in 1741 A.D. were prepared by his devotees.

Mahendrakirti was succeeded by Kshemendrakirti in about 1758 A.D. After him. Surendrakirti became the pattadhara in 1765 A.D. In 1769 A.D., Sanghī Nandalāla performed the installation ceremony of images on a large scale at Sawaimadhopura as a result of his preaching.11 Vadhurāma prepared a copy of the Munisurata-purāna12 in order to offer him as a gift. Sukhendrakīrti became his successor in 1795 A.D. His followers made the specimen of Vārangacharitra¹⁸ ready for presentation in 1816 A.D. He participated in the

^{1.} संवत १७४१ कार्तिक सदी १५ करवर नगर श्री मलसंघे भटारक श्री जगतकीति तदाम्नाये खंडेल बालान्वये संघड़ी सोनपालेन प्रतिष्ठा कारापिता ।

^{2.} See above, p. 36.

^{3.} सवत १७६६ माघ सूदी ६ श्री मुलसघे मट्टारक जगतकीर्ति सघही श्री दयालदास प्रतिब्ठा करापिता।

^{4.} Ps., p. 7. 5. Ibid., p. 77.

^{6.} सवत १७७३ फाल्गुण मास जुकल पक्षे तृतीया तिथी श्री मूलसंघे भट्टारक श्री देवेन्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये खडेलवालान्वये लुहाड़िया गोत्रे धोलेट नगरे सघही छीहडसगमल प्रतिष्ठा करापिता। (Temple of Chaudharis, Jaipur.)

^{7.} संवत १७८३ वैशाख बदी ८ बुधे बांसखोह नगरे भट्रारक श्री देवेन्द्रकीति तदाम्नाये लौहाइया गोत्रे संघही श्री हदयरामेन प्रतिष्ठा कारिता । भैसा असँराज नित्यं प्रणमति ।

^{8.} PS., pp. 48 and 56.

^{9.} Ibid., p. 214.

^{10.} Ibid., p. 219.

See above, p. 47.

^{12.} PS., p. 48.

^{13.} Ibid., p. 56.

Samgha led by Sanghi Rāyachandra to Junagad where an installation ceremony of some Yantra was performed by Rāyachandra through him.¹ In 1804 A.D., the same person celebrated the consecration ceremony of images at Jaipur as a result of his preaching.² After him, Narendrakirti II, Devendrakirti and Mahendrakirti became the Bhattārakas one after another in succession.

BHAŢŢĀRAKAS OF NAGAUR PAŢŢA: Jinachandra had two pupils named Prabhāchandra and Ratnakīrti. During his life time, there arose a disagreement and his second disciple Ratnakīrti established his separate seat at Nagaur. He died at Ajmer which is shown by an inscription of 1515 A.D. on the Chbatrī of Bhaṭṭāraka Ratnakīṭti.⁸ After him, Bhuvanakīṭti became the Paṭṭadhara who was followed by Dharmakirti in about 1533 A.D. In 1542 A.D. a copy of the Dharmaparīkshā* was prepared by this devotee. After him, Višālakitri became the Pontiff in about 1544 A.D. He was followed Lakshmichandra. In 1579 A.D.. Lūṇā of his line got a copy of the Dhanyakumāra charitra* written in order to offer it to the nun Karamāī in present. Later on, Sahasrakīrti, Nemichandra and Yaśakīrti became Bhaṭtārakas one after another in succession.

Yaśakīrti was the Bhaṭṭāraka of some importance. Under his inspiration, manuscripts were prepared and images were installed. An' inscription engraved in the Jaina temple of Ādinātha at Revāsā of 1604 a.D. records that it was constructed by Sāha Jītamala and his brother Nathamala, the two sons of Devidāsa the chief minister of Rāyasāla at the preaching of Bhaṭṭāraka Yaśakīrti. His followers Rūpā and his son Duṅgarasi of Jobanera made the specimen of Dharmaparīkshā ready for presenting it to Guṇachandra in 1609 a.D. The Pañchas of Revāsā presented a throne to him in 1613 a.D. He was followed by Bhānukīrti and Bhūshaṇakīrti. Bhūshaṇakīrti had two pupils namely Dharmachandra and Ratnakīrti. Again a trouble arose between them, and Ratnakīrti established his separate Paṭṭa at Ajmer. After Dharmachandra, Devendrakīrti, Amerandrakīrti and Ratnakīrti became the Bhaṭṭārakas one after another in succession of Nagaur Paṭṭa.

See above p. 47.
 See above p. 47.

संवत १५७२ का फागण बदी ६ रविवारे भट्टारकजी श्री रत्नकीर्तिजी की छत्री ।

^{4.} PS., p. 21. 5. Ibid., p. 108. 6. ARRMA, 1934-35, Non. 7. PS, p. 20

^{8.} श्रीसद् भट्टारकजी श्री १०८ श्री यक्षकीर्तिजी तस्य आमनाय का श्री पंचा सिहासन कराय चढ़ायो रेवासा नगरे सं. १६७२ का मिति फाल्गण सुदी ५।

BHATTĀRAKAS OF AJMER PATA: Ajmer already remained a seat of the BhaṭṭĀrakas in early times; but for it, there is no definite epigraphical and monumental evidence. Mr. Harbilāsa Shārdā in his book! mentioned the inscriptions of the eighth or ninth century on the Chabūtaras and Chhatrīs commemorating the death of the Digambara Jaina Bhaṭṭārakas and the Paṇḍitas. But in reality these inscriptions belong to the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Ratnakīrti separated himself from Nagaur Patra and established his seat at Aimer. In 1694 A.D., Sanghi Jesa of his line celebrated the consecration ceremony of images at Jobanera through him.2 He was followed by Vidvādhara and then, Mahendrakīrti became the Bhattāraka. In 1709 A.D., Vijavakīrti constructed the Chabütarā over the remains of Bhattāraka Ratnakīrti. Later on, Anantakirti became the Pontiff. Ramasimha performed the consecration of the temple of Sahas as well as of images at Marotha in 1737 A.D. as advised by him.3 Next Bhuvanabhushana became the Pattadhara who was followed by Vijayakīrti. In 1753 A.D., Vijayakīrti constructed the Chhatrīs over the remains of Anantakirti and Bhuvanabhushana. Āchārya Rājyakīrti constructed the Chhatri over Bhattāraka Vidyānanda. In 1760 A.D., Vijayakīrti spent the rainy season at Marotha.* After him, Trilokendrakirti became the Bhattaraka. Bhattāraka Bhuvanakīrti erected the pādukā of Trilokendrakīrti in 1781 A.D. In 1705 A.D., Dharmadasa celebrated the installation ceremony of images on a large scale through Bhuvanakīrti. In 1801, he visited Marotha from where he proceeded to Kuchāman2

In 1818 A.D., Pannālāla, pupil of Bhuvanakīrti repaired the throne brought from Revāsā for Yasakīrti. Bhaṭṭāraka Ratnabhūshaṇa constructed

^{1.} Ajmer Historical and Descriptive, p. 123.

See above, p. 48
 See above, p. 43

सबत १८१४ का मिती आषाढ़ सुदी १० दिने श्रीमद् भट्टारक श्री विजयकीर्ति महाराज महोराठ नगरे मध्य चतमास कियो ।

संवत १८५२ वैशाख माह गुक्ल पक्षे तिथि पंचानण गुरुवासरे अजमेर महादुगें सीधिया दौलतरावजी राज्ये श्री मूलसंघे भट्टारक श्री भुवनकीनिस्तदान्नाये गंगवाल गोत्र सघही धमैदासेन इदं प्रतिमा कारापिता ।

^{2.} महाराष्ट्र नगरे नित्य उत्सवे जिनमन्दिर सावां गोच्टी जयोत्सव सदास्थेतर सं. १८६२ का वर्षे मिती आसाइ मासे कृष्ण पक्षे तिथो अप्ठायाम मंत्रकवारे श्री मृत्यसं नंद्यान्याये — अजमेर पट्टे शोमित महाराज्यों स्थि का स्था १८८ सी मुबनकीतियों, पंडित कालुराम — संधाप्टक सहित महारोठ पथार्या साहां की गोच्छी का समस्त श्री पंच महाजना आवक आविका धर्मानुराग भाव सहित राष्ट्रा । पाछ पंचा सेती मारोठसेति सीख मागफर मिती काल्यन बदी ५ कुवामण पद्यारिया । (Inscription, Såha Jaina Tomple Mārotha.)

Chhatris over the remains of Bhatraraka Bhuvanakirti in 1835 A.D. There is also the Chhatri of Bhatraraka Padmanandi with the inscription of 1871 A.D.

Besides, a large number of Chabūtarās and Chhatris built over the remains of the Achāryas and the Paṇḍitas are found at Ajmer. There is an inscription of 1725 A.D. on the Chabūtarā built over the remains of Viśālakirti. Āchārya Bhaṭtāraka Srī Vijayakirti constructed the Chabūtarā and foot prints of Āchārya Srī Bhānukirti in 1744 A.D. at Ajmer whereas he actually passed away at Danta in Sekhāvāṭī. Paṇḍita Basantarāma constructed the Chabūtarā of the Āchārya Ratnabhūshaṇa in 1756 A.D. The Chabūtarā of Āchārya Devendrakirti was built by Gaṇeśīmala in 1757 A.D. Paṇḍita Basantarāma also constructed the Chabūtarā over the remains of Tilakabhūshaṇa in 1754 A.D.

Pt. Tulasīdāsa constructed the Chhatrī over the remains of Pt. Hemarāja, a disciple of Āchārya Rājakīrti. In 1754 A.D., the pādukā of Pt. Vakasarāma was erected. In 1760 A.D., Pt. Daulatarāma constructed the pādukā of his teacher Rāmachandra who was a pupil of Hemarāja. In 1761 A.D., Pt. Savāīrama constructed the Chabutarās of Pt. Rupachanda, Pt. Malukachanda and Pt. Abhairāma. The pādukā of Pt. Viradhīchanda was erected in 1798 A.D. The Chabūtarā of Pt. Pannālāla was built in 1844 A.D. Pt. Pannālāla was a disciple of Bhaṭāraka Bhuvanskīrti who repaired the throne of his master in 1818 A.D.

It is thus clear that several Bhaṛṭārakas, Āchāryas and Paṇḍitas lived and played an important part in the history of medieval Jaina society when there was anarchy. At this time, the Muslims were carrying on persecutions and destruction, and the Marāṭhās were raiding the different parts of the country. The life and property of the people became unsafe and insecure. Even at this time, Bhaṭṭārakas wandered from place to place without any anxiety and fear for the propagation of Jainism.

Bhaṭṭārakas rendered valuable services to Jainism in medicval times. Some of the Bhaṭṭārakas like Sakalakīrti and Subhachandra were great scholars who wrote their literary works in Sanskrit, Pṛākrit, Apabhranisa, Hindī, Gujarātī and Rājasthārī languages. The preservation of manuscripts was the most valuable work done by them at this time. Several copies of the works on grammar, medicine, mathematics and similar subjects were prepared. They also contributed towards art and architecture. Installation of various images was considered to be their main work. As their Mathas were cultural

centres, they patronised music, painting, sculpture, dancing and other arts. In social sphere also, their services are remarkable. They often arranged long pilgrimages with a large number of followers. They sometimes looked after the management of the holy places; for instance, Srī Mahāvīrajī was managed by the Bhaṭṭārakas of Jaipur. Some of them possessed miraculous powers gained through mantras. To walk through air, to remove the effect of poison and to make stone image speak are some of the miracles ascribed to them. They used to visit the courts of Hindu and Muslim rulers and induced them to observe the doctrine of abimīsā by the prohibition of the slaughter of animals in their kingdom on certain fixed days of the year.

CHAITYAVĀSĪ SYSTEM IN RAJASTHAN

The system of the Chaityavāsī functioned in Rajasthan with great success and advantage. A Jaina monk according to the rule prescribed for him does not usually stay longer than one night in a village or five nights in a town. This practice is found in Jainism as well as in Buddhism; and it is an inheritance of Sramana culture. At the same time, there came gradually a good deal of laxity in the conduct of the saints.

Āchārya Dharmasāgara in his patjāvalī writes that in 355 A.D., this practice of Chairyavāsī started. But according to Muni Kalyāṇa Vijaya, it had originated even earlier and in 355 A.D., it had become well established practice. At present, the Yatis or Stīpūjyas in the Svetāmbaras and the Bhaṭṭārakas in the Digambaras are known as Maṭbavāsī. All are collectively known as Chaityavāsī.

The Chaityavāsi system seems to have developed in Rajasthan from about the 8th century A.D. The Jaina Āchāryas of Rajasthan such as Haribhadrasuri³ and Jinavallabhasūri⁴ had drawn the attention of the people towards the laxity in the ways of the monks. They resided in temples and used their wealth for their personal good. They put on even coloured of scented clothes. They ate food or sweets fetched by the monks. They used to hoard money and relish delicious dishes. They used tachitta water as well as fruits and flowers. They sold idols and purchased children in order to make them their disciples.

JSAI, p. 351.
 Ibid.
 Sambodhaprakarana, Verses 27, 34, 46-49, 61, 63, 68 etc.
 Sanghapattaka, Verses 7, 11, 12, 15, 21 etc.

SIlaguṇasūri, the teacher of king Vanarāja Chāvadā (765-825 A.D.) asked him to issue orders forbidding the stay of other saints except Chaityavāsī saints in the city of Anahilavāda. In order to violate it, in 957 A.D. Jineśvarasūri and Buddhisāgarasūri defeated the Chaityavāsīs in the debate in the royal court of Durlabharāja and thus sought permission for the admission of the Vidhimārga in Pāran.

That Chaityavāsīs had deviated considerably from the traditional ways of Jaina Sadhus is evident from several Jaina temples and idols installed by them. This was the practice of the laity and not of the Sadhus. But the Chaityavāsīs saw no harm in these deviations and argued that what was meritorious for the laity was equally creditable for the Sadhus. There are inscriptions which give us information about the practice of the Chaityavasi in Rajasthan. In 1354 A.D., Rāmachandrasūri of Jīrāpallī Gachchha for self-merit constructed the devakulikā at Jīrāpallī in Sirohi State.1 Hematilakasūri for the merit of his teacher constructed the rangamandapa of the temple at the village Varmāna in Sirohi State in 1389 A.D.² In 1397 A.D., Vāchaka Somaptabhasūri of Pishpalāchārya Gachchha constructed an image of Sumatinātha at Ajārī which was consecrated by Vīraprabhasūri.8 Vīraprabhasūri constructed the mandapa in 1418 A.D. at the village Vīravādā. In 1464 A.D. Vijayaprabhasūri of Kāchchholīvālā Gachchha built the devakulikā in the temple of Ajitanātha for the merit of Gunasagarasuri at Sirohi.5 Bhadresvarasuri for the merit of Tilaka Süri made devakulikā of Ādinātha at Jīrapallī,6 Udaivardhana of Kāchcholīvāla Gachchha built devakulikā at Sirohi.7 Pārśvadevasūri of Nānaka Gachchha with his disciple Vīrachanda constructed lagikā at the village Velāra.8 Nanna Süri of Pratimākadhāra Pratishthā Gachchha erected the image of Ādideva in the building at Vasantagadh.9

In the Digambara Jaina literature, there is no definite and clear mention of the time when the system of Chaityavāsīs started. But that it was in existence in the 8th century A.D. in the south is known from several inscriptions. In Rajasthan, the Bhaṭṭārakas were also in possession of villages and gardens. They renovated temples, constructed inns and gave food to other monks. It seems that, in spite of their being Chaityavāsīs, the earlier

APJLS , No. 119.

^{2.} Ibid., No. 113.

^{3.} APJLS., No. 432.

^{4.} Ibid., No. 278,

^{5,} Ibid., No. 246-248.

^{6.} Ibid., No. 116.

Ibid., No. 249.

Ibid., No. 337.

^{9.} Ibid., No. 445.

Bhaṭṭārakas remaind naked, and this was probably necessary in order to show their separation from the saints of the Svetāmbaras. At present, there is a tendency in the Bhaṭṭārakas to put off their clothes while eating food but wear them at all other times. It shows that they remained naked in the past and the practice of weating clothes started afterwards. In the 16th century A.D. Bhaṭṭāraka Srutasāgara writes that in Kalikāla, Muslims seeing the Yatis naked began to do mischief and ill-treat them. Therefore, in Mandapadurga, Basantakīrti gave instructions that the saints at the time of charyā (begging food and going out) should cover their body with mat and other things. In the patṭāwalī of Mūlasamgha, there are names of the Bhaṭṭārakas of Chinor. One of them was Basantakīrti who lived in about 1207 A.D. At that time, there was the great fear of the Muslims. From the 13th centuary onwards, the Digambara saints while going out began to use mat and other things in order to cover nakedness.

In the domain of religion, the Bhaṛṭārakas were the spiritual heads having several Āchāryas and Panditas under their control. They enjoyed comforts and received money in various ways from the Srāvakas. They possessed administrative powers and used to appoint the Āchāryas and the Paṇḍitas at different places in order to carry on the religious affairs.

MINOR PROTESTANT AND NON-PROTESTANT SECTS

The effect of the Muslim invasions of the Jaina religion is seen in two ways. It brought different Jaina seets closer together for self defence against the iconoclasts. At the same time, it drove others away from idolarry altogether. It, therefore, naturally divided both Digambaras and Svetämbaras each into two divisions known as idol-worshippers and non-idol-worshippers. The sect of non-idol-worshippers reminds one of the early Hindu traditions of Vedänta and Nirguna Bhakti movement of Kabira and Nänaka. With the impact of the Muslim culture, some sections of Jainas began to denounce idol worship with great vehemence. The following sects are the opponents of the idol worship in Rajasthan.

(a) LONKĀ SECT: In Ahmedabada, Lonkā earned his livelihood by copying books in the Upāsarā of a Yati called Jāānajī. While writing these books, he was struck with the fact that idol worship was not mentioned

^{1.} JSAI., p. 363.

^{2.} I. A., XX, p. 347.

in them. He pointed it out to Jñānajī and others, and a sharp controversy arose between them as to the desirability of idolatry. At last in 1451 A.D., he organized a new sect of his own called Lonkā Sect after his own name. He prohibited the installation of images and declared his disbelief in such essential rites as Pautbadba, Pratikramaņa, Pratyākbyāna and even in charity. He did not like the rites in which even the slightest touch of violence or injury was involved. The Muslims at this time were destroying the temples and the images. This gave him the opportunity to spread his doctrine well. Great slackness had also come in the mendicants, because they possessed not only the books and clothes but even wealth. There were mutual quartels among them. For this type of behaviour, the people began to criticize them. He took advantage of all these circumstances in propagating his doctrines by going from place to place.

Lonkā pronounced 31 Sūtras as the foundation of his tenet and gave a new interpretation of such Sūtras as seemed to support image worship. He made such drastic changes in the Āvalyakasūtra that they altogether assumed a new form. In 1476 A.D., he met a man named Bhāṇa, a natiwe of Ātāghaṭa-pāṇaka near Sirohi who took sanyāsa without being initiated by any teacher. This monk assumed the false name of Dhundhaka. In 1511 A.D., he secuted a disciple called Rupakajī and the old Vara Siriha became his disciples in 1521 A.D. and 1550 A.D. respectively. Thus, though Lonkāṣāha himself was not initiated, others were initiated by him and became saints.

- (b) STHĀNAKAVASĪ SECT: Some of the members of the Lonkā Sect disapproved of the lines of their Sādhus declaring that they lived less strictly than Mahāvīra would have wished. A Lonkā layman Vīrajī of Sūrat received initiation as a Sādhu and won great admiration through the strictness of his life. Many from the Lonkā Sect joined this reformer; and they took the name of Sthānakavāsīs while their enemies called them Dhūndhiyā. The followers of this sect are found in all the important cities of Rajasthan.
- (c) TERĀPANTHĪ SECT: The founder of Terāpanthī Sect was Bhlkamajī. After a critical study of the scriptures, he came to know that the Jaina Sādhus were not leading their lives according to Sāstric injunctions and were not promulgating the true principles of Jainism. The Sthānakvāsīs stayed in the places specially set apart for Sādhus to live in. He began to stay even in the places meant for laymen. Once, a strange coincidence took place.

Some Sādhus and laymen both numbering thirteen were staying in a shop. This led a poet of the Sevaga class to compose a short parody ridiculing the sect and nicknaming it Terāpanthī (the path of thirteen). Bhikamajī gave a very appropriate interpretation to it. He said the number indicated five great vows (Mabāvrata), five rules of conduct (Samitis), and control of body, mindand speech (three Guptis).

Terapanthis do not worship idols. They think that worship of idols does not lead to salvation. They meditate upon and mentally worship those highly developed souls who have attained liberation. They worship and revere those living beings who have renounced the world absolutely and lead the life of asceticism strictly observing the five great vows. The followers of this sect are mostly found in Bikaner and Jodhpur States.

Like the Śvetāmbaras, the Digambaras were also divided into the sects of idol-worshippers and non-idolworshippers. In course of time, the sect of idol-worshippers was further split into several sub-sects.

- (a) TARANAPANTHI SECT: Täranapanthi Sect is the sect of non-idol worshippers among the Digambara Jainas. It was founded by Tärana Svämī who was born in 1448 A.D. and died in 1515 A.D. Like Lońkä, Tärana Svämī also denounced idol worship. His followers do not worship idols, but they do worship the fourteen scriptures written by him. In this respect, they remind us of the Sikhs who worship the Granthatābaba.
- (b) ΤΕΒΑΡΑΝΤΗΙ SECT: The idolatrous sect of Terapanthis was founded by Pt. Amara Chanda Baḍajāṭyā, a resident of Sāngānet. It became rapidly popular in Rajputana in the 17th century. Originally, it was known as Vidhimārga but its opponents nicknamed it as Terāpanthis just to ridicule it. The Terāpanthis protested against the elaborate ritualism of the Bhaṛārakas. During the life time of Banārasīdāsa, the great scholar and reformer of Λgra, this sect gained great popularity. It is defined by some as a sect which emphasizes the thirteen points of self discipline for building up the character; others, however, believe that the name was given by its opponents to ridicule it. I The Digambara Terāpanthis are held in contempt by the Bhaṭtārakas like the Svetāmbara Terāpanthis by the Srīpuyas. Bakhata Rāma in the Budābivilāras says that this sect differs from the original faith in thirteen points; and hence, it is called Terāpanthi. The Terāpanthis do not recognize the superior 1. 3541, p. 367

position of the Bhaṭṭārakas. The Terāpanthīs of the Svetāmbaras and the Digambaras differ from each other. The former do not worship the images while the later do. The Digambara Terāpanthīs worship the images but not with the flowers, fruits, sandal and prakshāla. The worship, in this way according to them, involves binnā and therefore militates against the fundamental principles of Jainism.

- (c) Gumanapanthi Sect: Gumanapanthi Sect flourished in the 18th century A.D. and was so called after the name of its founder Gumanirama, the son of Pt. Todaramal of Jaipur. It was also known as Śuddbāmmāya, because particular emphasis was laid on the purity of conduct of its followers by imposing certain rules of discipline on them. This sect spread in several parts of Rajasthan outside Jaipur such as Mārotha, Bhādavā etc.
- (d) BĪSAPANTHI SECT: The BĪSAPANTHĪS are the followers of the Bhattārakas. They assumed its name because they thought that they were superior to TerāpanthĪs. This sect permits idol worship and supports the cult and methods of the Bhaṭṭārakas. In this sect, the idols are worshipped with water, lamp, flowers and sandal. The followers of this sect are found in Jaipur, Aimer, Nagaur and Mārotha.
- (e) TOTĀPANTHI SECT: In course of time, an attempt was made for the compromise between Bisapanthis and Terāpanthis. A new sect known as Totāpanthi came into existence. This sect partly consists of Bisapanthi Sect and partly Terāpanthi Sect. It is, therefore, also known as Sādbī Solāba Pantbī Sect. It remained confined only to Nagaur.

These idolatrous sects do not materially differ from each other in the Digambaras. Their founders namely Amara Chanda Baḍajāṭyā and Gumānī Rāma were anxious to maintain the individuality of their sects; and hence, the nominal differences were emphasized.

CASTES AND GOTRAS IN JAINISM

Most of the Castes and their Gotras found among the Jainas in the north have their origin in Rajasthan. The time and the manner of their origin is shrouded in considerable mystery. There are many legendary accounts of their origin which tell us that they are of great antiquity. But, as a matter of fact, no names of these Castes and their Gotras before the seventh century are traceable. From the historical point of view, these Castes and their Gotras

seem to have come into existence between the eighth and the thirteenth century A.D., the time of golden age for Jainism in Rajasthan. There were born great influential saints like Hemachandra and Jinachandra who converted the Rajputs Brāhmaṇas and Vaisyas to Jainism. Even the Jaina statesmen like Vimala and Vastupāla tried to spread Jainism by rendering meritorious services. The merchants also spent countless wealth for its propagation by constructing beautiful temples and placing images in them. In this way, Jainism was accepted by a large number of masses who formed different Castes.

- (1) OSAVĀLAS: Osavālas are found in all the important cities of Rajasthan. They occupy a prominent position both in administrative and commercial spheres. Their origin is from the place named Osia in Marwar. This rown was visited by Uppaladeva, the Scion of the ruling family of Srīmāla who being pressed by his enemy sought refuge at the hands of a ruler of the Pratīhāra dynasty which was then supreme in Marwar. At this time, the Jaina saint Ratnaprabhasiuri came to this place and found the only son of Uppaladeva bitten by a snake. The king requested Ratnaprabha to cure him which he did. The king with his subjects embraced Jainism and Ratnaprabhastiri formed the Osavāla Caste of these people. There are three views about the time of this incident.
- 1. According to the Nābhinandanoddbāra-prabandhu and the Upakesia-gashehha-charitra, Ratnaprabhasuri, the seventh paṭtadhara in the line of Pārśvanātha, established the Osavanisa in Vīra Nirvāṇa Samvat 70 (457 n.c.)
 2. In the opinion of the Bhāṭas, the caste of the Osavālas with their eighteen Gotras was established by the teachings of Ratnaprabhasuri at Upakeśanagara in Marwar in 222 v.e. (165 A.D.)
 3. But both these views do not seem to be correct, because there is no mention and trace of this caste before the 8th century A.D. It seems to have come into existence afterwards. The king Uppaladeva and his subjects were converted to Jainism by Ratnaprabhasuri who formed their caste of Osavālas.

GOTRAS OF THE OSAVĀLAS: After the conversion, Osavālas continued to multiply and they formed eighteen Gotras according to the traditions. But the process of the multiplication continued further particularly because they ceased to be a fighting race; and there was no mass casualty due to any battle. It is believed that there are 1444 Gotras of the Osavālas. But these are not the main Gotras. They just represent simply

the branches and sub-branches. Yati Srīpāla refers to the manuscript which mentions 609 Gotras.¹ The poet Rūpachanda of the eighteenth century A.D. in his Ostalarāsa mentions about 440 Gotras.² Some are territorial, some are individualistic, and others are occupational.

(a) TERRITORIAL GOTRAS: Some Gotras were named after the places of their origin. Jinadattasūri gave vāsakshepa to the two princes namely Srīdhara and Rājadhara of Rāvala Sāgara at Bhanasāla in Jaisalmer. The Princes and after them their descendants and still further those who were closely or remotely related to them, all came to be called Bhanasālīs. And thus was established the Bhanasali Gotra. In 1542 A.D., Saha Vidaka of this Gotra celebrated the consecration of Chandraprabha through Jinabhadra Suri at Jaisalmer.4 So the Gotra must have strated not later than 1500 A.D. The Kāchholi Gotra was formed after the village named Kāchchhola in Sirohi State probably at the beginning of the 13th century A.D. In 1286 A.D., Ajayasimha of this Gotra installed the image of Parsvanatha at Kachchholi for acquiring merit for his parents.5 Koranta Gotra originated from the place named Koranta in Marwar. In 1450 A.D. Sāha Vīsala of this Gotra for acquiring merit for himself celebrated the consecration ceremony of the image of Sumatinatha through Kakkasüri of this Gachchba.6 Some Osavālas of Pugala settled at another place, and they began to be called by the name Pügala. Medatavāla Gotra came into existence after the city of Mertā in the former Jodhpur State. The inscriptions of the 16th century of this Gotra are available at Merta and Udaipur.7 The Osavalas who came from Kanauj, were grouped under Kanaujia Gotra. In 1502 A.D., Sakhedha of this Gotra for the merit of his father consecrated the Sītalanātha bimba through Devagupta Suri.8 Kānkriā Gotra originated from Bhīmasī who lived in the village Kānkarāvata.9 He was the Sāmanta of Mahārāṇā of Udaipur and was converted to Jainism by Jinavallabhasūri of the Kharatara Gachchha. There is a mention of this Gotra in the inscription of 1442 A.D. found at Alwar. 10 It is clear that these Gotras started mostly between the 13th and the 15th centuries A.D.

(b) OCCUPATIONAL GOTRAS: Some Gotras originated from the occupations of certain Jainas. Rāthda Rāva Chūṇdā gave his treasury to

^{1.} Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, p. 656, 2. Jaina Bhāratī, Vol. XI, No. 11.

^{3.} NJI. III, p. 28. 4. Ibid., No. 2328. 5. APJLS., No. 611. 6. NJI., No. 2325.

^{7.} NJI., Nos. 1131 and 1295. 8. NJI., No. 1101. 9. HOO., p. 353. 10. NJI., No. 988.

Thakarasi. It is therefore the decendants of Thakarasi that began to be called Kothārī. From the inscription of 1456 A.D., it is clear that Megha of this Gotra celebrated Vāsapūjya bimba through Vinayaprabhasūri of Nāgendra Gachchha.1 Those people, who did the work of cashiers, were called Khajānchi. The Bhandārīs claim Dadrão as their great ancestor.2 In 992 A.D. he adopted Jainism from Yasobhadrasūri of the Sanderaka Gachchba. Officially. Dadrão was designated as Bhandārī or the person in charge of the store house: and consequently, his descendants became known as Bhandaris. The earliest inscription of this clan at Nadlai of 1132 A.D. refers to Bhandari Nagasiva as a witness to a certain grant.8 Another inscription of 1184 A.D. refers to one Bhandari Yasovira as the lord of Palla (a village six miles to the west of Jodhpur).4 A Jalor inscription of 1185 A.D. records the rebuilding of the Jaina temple by Bhandari Yasovira, son of Pasu, in accordance with the orders of Mahārājā Sāmanta Simha.5 The descendants of the person, who deals in phee, were called Ghīvā. In 1569 A.D. Narabada of this Gotra set up the image of Sambhavanātha through Hīravijava of Tapā Gachchha.6 It is heard that the ancestor of the people of Vaidys Gotra cured the disease of an eve of the queen of Mahārānā of Udaipur. Therefore, he was given the title of Vaidya, and his descendants became famous by Veda Gotra.7 In 1455 A.D., Bhādāka of this Gotra installed the image of Vimalanātha through Kukadāchārya of Upakesa Gachchha.* The Mahājani Gotra was probably formed from the profession of Mahājana. The inscription of 1457 A.D. records that Nalha of this Gotra consecrated an image of Santinatha through Kakkasūri.⁹ There are also Chandāliyā and Bambi Gotras found among the Osavālas. Their business was with these sorts of people; and, therefore, they began to call themselves by these names. In 1745 A.D., Ratnapala of Chandaliva Gotra set up the image of Suvidhinatha for the merit of his father through Punyanidhanasuri of Maladhari Gachchha.10

(c) GOTRAS AFTER PERSONAL NAMES: The names of the Gotras were also given after certain famous persons. The Ādityanāga Gotra originated from the well known person Ādityanāga who was very famous for

N.II., Nos. 2084 & Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 625.

Some distinguished Jainas, p. 36.
 Ibid., p. 37.
 Ibid.

^{5.} Ibid. 6. NJI., III, No. 5372. 7. HOO., p. 166.

^{8.} NJI., I, 2334. 9. Ibid., 2577. 10. Ibid., II, 1285.

liberal charities and solicitude for social welfare.1 Numerous inscriptions of the 14th, 15th and 16th centuries on the pedestals of the images of this Gotra are also found in various places such as Jodhpur, Nagaur, Balotara etc.2 After addressing Pamvāra Rājapūta Lāla Simha in 1110 A.D., Jinavallabha Sūri established the Lalani Gotra.3 Lala Simha had seven sons. The eldest son was very strong (Bantha) and from him originated Banthiya Gotra. In 1444 A.D., Sāha Jayavada of Lālāņī Gotra set up the image of Dharmanātha through Javakesarī Sūri of Añchala Gachchha. In 1479 A.D., Sāha Hāmā of Bānthiva Gotra made the celebration of linavarendra Pattikā through linachandra Sūri.5 It is said that the descendants of Gadasaha were called Gadahiya. In 1411 A.D., Sāha Ānā of this Gotra for the merit of his wife Bhīmanī celebrated the consecration ceremony of the image of Santinatha through Devaguptasuri of Upakesa Gachchha.7 Lūnivā Gotra was named after Lūna Simha who accepted Jainism from Jinadatta Sūri. In 1416 A.D., the image of Pārśvanātha was consecrated by Gesaka of this Gotra through Jinabhadrasūri of Kharatara Gachchha.8 In 1148 A.D., Hemachandrasūri of Pūrnatala Gachchha by addressing Pamvāra Rājaputa Jagadeva convetted him to Jainism.9 Sūra and Sānvala were the two sons of Jagadeva. The descendants of Sura were called Surānā and of Sānvalā were known as Sānkhalā.10 In 1444 A.D., Sonapāla of Surānā Gotra installed the image of Sumatinātha through Vijaya Chanda Süri of Dharmaghosha Gachchha.11 The consecration ceremony of the image of Sumatinātha was performed by Lākhāka of Sānkhalā Gotra through Vijaya Chanda Suri of Dharmaghosha Gachchha in 1438 A.D. 12 Dugada and Sugada, the two brothers accepted Jainism from Jinachandrasuri, 13 The descendants of Dugada were called Dugada and of Sugada by the name Sügada. In 1460 A.D., Nāgarāja of this Gotra celebrated the consecration of the image of Srevāmsanātha through Somasundara of Rudrapalli Gachchha.14 The Bothara Gotra was named after Bohitha, the son of the king named Sagara of Delavada,15 In 1477 A.D., the installation ceremony of the image of Srevansanatha was

Bhagavān Pārśvanātha kī Paramparā Kā Itihāsa, p. 1109.
 NJI., Pt. I & II.

Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 626.
 NJI., No. 2317.
 Ibid , No. 2404.
 Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 628, Gaddā Śāha was the brother of famous Bhainsā Śāha.

^{7.} NJI., No. 1062. 8. Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā pp. 635-637. 9 NJI., No. 2186.

^{10.} Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, p. 637, 11. NJI., No. 1079. 12. NJI., No. 1877.

Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, p. 638.
 NJI., No. 1267.

^{15.} Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, pp. 639, 640 and 641,

performed by Thähā of Botharā Gotra through Jina Chanda Sūri of Kharatara Gachchha. From the person Düdherā, this Gotra became famous as Dudheriyā Gotra. On the preaching of Jinakuśala Sūri, Dūngara Simha, the Chauhāna Rājpūt accepted Jainism. From this name, his descendants were called Pāgā.

(d) KULAS CONVERTED INTO GOTRAS: Some Kulas also in course of time were converted into Gotras. The ancient Kaśyapa Kula in course of time was converted into Kaśyapa Gotra. From the inscription of 1438 A.D., it is clear that Chuḍā of this Gotra celebrated the consecration ceremony of the image of Neminātha through Īśvarasūri of Sanderaka Gachchha. In the 13th century A.D., Sravaṇa, the son of Karṇa Simha, accepted Jainism from Yaśobhadra Sūri. His descendants also followed Jainism and became known by Sisodiyā Gotra.

(e) GOTRAS FORMED AFTER ACTIONS: Some Gotras have been also formed after certain actions. The Baradiva Gotra is said to have originated in about the 11th century A.D. from Naga Vyantara who gave Varadiya (gave promise) to Nārāyana.6 Baradıyā is the Apabhramsa of Varadiyā. In 1527 A.D., the image of Santinatha was consecrated by Saha Todara of this Gotra.7 Pāsu was an expert in examining jewels. His descendants were, therefore, known by Pārakha or Parīkshā." In 1461 A.D., Surapati of this Gotra celebrated the consecration ceremony of the image of Suvidhinātha through Jina Chandra of Kharatara Gachcha.9 In 1120 A.D., Jinadatta Sūri after addressing Johana and Sachchu established Bahuphana Gotra. 10 His descendants did not move from the battle field and therefore they were called Nāhatā. It may also be suggested that Bāhuphanā Gotta was named after the well-known person named Bappanaga.11 It is known from the inscriptions of 1329 A.D. that Mokhata of this Gotra for the merit of his parents set up the image of Sumatinatha through Kakka Suri's. In 1439 A.D., Mājana of Nāhatā Gotra constructed devakulikā of Vimalanātha temple at Karahada through Manjanasagara Suri. 18 The Sultan of Mandalgarh being impressed by the virtues of Jhanjhana Simha, allowed him to keep the

NJI., No. 1317.
 HOO., p. 312.
 Ibid., No. 542.

NJI., 1991.
 HOO., p. 393.
 Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, p. 622.
 NJI., No. 1192.
 Jaina Sampradāya Šikshā, p. 628.
 NJI., No. 2189.

Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 631.
 Bhagavān Pāršvanātha Kī Paramparā
Kā Itihāsa, p.1109.
 NJI., No. 2253.
 NJI., No. 1957.

Katāra (knife) in the royal court. His descendants, therefore, became famous by Katāriyā Gotra. 1 By the influence of the discourses of Bhuvana Sundara. Sanghavi Tukade, Pāsade, Punasi and Mūlā of Katāriyā Gotra constructed a devakulikā in Jīrāpallī temple in 1426 A.D.2 The people, who went on pilgrimage, were given the title of Sanghavi. A person named Kāku was given the title of Nagara Setha. His descendants therefore began to be called Sethiva.8 In 1095 A.D., Jinavallabhasuri came to Mandor which was ruled by the king named Nānude Padihāra. His son was Kukadadeva who was suffering from leprosy. The king requested him to cure him. He asked the king to bring ghee of some cow and got it rubbed over the body of the prince. After the treatment of three days, he became allright. The king with his family accepted Jainism and Surījī established his Kukadāchopadā Gotra.4 The minister of the Padihāra king named Ganadhara also accepted Jainism and Surijī established Gaṇadhara Chopadā Gotra. There is the mention of the Kukadā Chopadā Gotra in the inscription of 1479 A.D.5 The inscription of 1436 A.D. records that Pasada of Ganadhara Chopada Gotra set up an image of Supārśvanātha through Jinabhadrasūri.6 Kharata Simha Rāthoda at the preaching of Imadattasuri accepted Jainism. His elder son, Ambadeva faced the thieves (chora se bhidiya) and caught them. The name in course of time became Choradiva.7

It is known from the inscriptions of the images that some Gotras were specially connected with some Gachchhas. The people of these Gotras celebrated the consecration ceremony of the images through the teachers of their respective Gachchhas. The people of Ādityanāga Gotra performed the consecration ceremony of the various images but all through the Āchāryas of Upakeśa Gachchha. Similarly, the persons belonging to Gadahiyā Gotra, Bāphaṇā Gotra and Rāṇakā Gotra celebrated the consecration ceremony through the Āchāryas of Upakeśa Gachchha. The people of Gaṇadhara Choṇadā Gotra, Dāgā Gotra, Dosī Gotra and Lūṇiyā Gotra generally performed the installation ceremony of the images through the teachers of Kharatara Gachchha. The people of Ghāṅghā Gotra and Chaṇdāliyā Gotra

^{1.} Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 634.

^{3.} Jaina Sampradāya Śikshā, p. 634.

^{5.} NJI., No. 2136.

NJI., No. 2114.

^{2.} APJLS., No. 113.

^{4.} HOO., p. 427.

HOO., p. 509.

set up the images mostly through the Āchāryas of Maladhārī Gachchha. Chhājahada Gotra is specially related to Pallivāla Gachchha because its persons installed the images generally through the teachers of this Gachchha. The persons of Sisodiyā Gotra are seen installing the images through the masters of Shanderaka Gachchha. The persons belonging to Dūgada Gotra and Mīthadiya Gotra are seen setting up the images respectively through the Āchāryas of Bṛihad Gachchha and Añchala Gachchha. Sometimes, the persons of the Gotra installed the images through the masters of two Gachchhas. This is specially seen in the case of Sānkhavālechā Gotra. They installed the images through the masters of Koranjaka Gachchha and Kharatara Gachchha. It is also noticed though rarely that the persons of one particular Gotra set up images through the teachers of more than one Gachchha.

SRĪMĀLĪS: Srīmālīs among Jainas originated from Śrīmāla now known as Bhinmal in Marwar. In course of time, they multiplied and spread specially in Jodhpur, Udaipur and Sirohi. They occupied the influential position in the society. Their origin may be traced back to the 8th century A.D. There is a stanza in the prasasti1 of Kālakāchārya Kathā of 1308 A.D. which tells that Sravaka Dida of Srimala caste after listening to the religious discourses from Santi Suri constructed the Chaitya of Adinatha in 647 A.D. at Navahara. The oldest genealogy of the Srīmāla Caste says that a merchant Todā of Bhāradvāja Gotra and of Srīmala Caste was addressed by a Jaina Saint in 738 A.D.2 From both these instances. it is clear that Jainism was popular and prevalent in Srīmāla in the eighth century A.D. The king named Vijayanta of Srīmāla accepted Jainism from Udaiprabha Süri. Along with him, sixty two sethas, followers of Brahmanism. also accepted Jainism.8 All were called Srīmālīs. From the Pañchapatarāsa written by the poet Udayaratna concerning the history of the teachers of Dvivandanika, the branch of Upakesa Gachchha, it is known that in 700 Saka era. Ratnaprabha Sūri came to this town where he established the Srīmāla caste.4 From all these instances, it is clear that Srīmālīs among the Jainas came into existence in the seventh or eighth century A.D.

Jaina Pustaka Praśasti Samgraha, No. 35.

Jaina Sāhitya Samśodhaku Evan Jaināchārya Ātmārāma Satābāt Smāraka Grantha, Gujarāti Vibhāga, p. 204.
 Srī Jaina Gotra Sangraha, pp. 13-23.

^{4.} Prāgvāta Itihāsa -- Introduction, p. 12.

In course of time, Srimālis were divided into two classes namely Laghu Sākhā and Bṛihad Sākhā. The inscription of 1488 A.D. indicates that Sahasakaraṇa of Laghu Sākhā of the Srimāla Caste for the merit of his mother celebrated the consecration of the image of Adinātha through Siddhānta Sāgara of Añchala Gachchha.¹ There is also an inscription of 1944 A.D. of Bṛiddha Sākhā of Srīmāla caste.² Besides, there are various Gotras found among the Srīmālis as known to us from the inscriptions. These are based on occupations, place names and other grounds.

GOTBAS OF SRIMĀLIS: The Gotras of Srīmālis originated in various ways. Ambikā Gotra seems to have originated from the deity Ambikā. In 1477 A.D., Sreshthi Chandrasava of this Gotra for the merit of ancestors performed the installation ceremony of the image of Santinatha through Lakshmīsāgara Sūri.³ Ailahara Gotra ia mentioned in the inscription of 1442 A.D.4 There are also the inscriptions of Govaliva Gotras and Ghevariva Gotra.6 The inscription of 1412 A.D. records that Javada of Gandhika Gotra set up the image of Dharmanatha.7 In 1476 A.D., the consecration of the image of Santinatha was celebrated by Pasada of Gautama Gotra.8 Here, this Gotra seems to have originated from the Kula founded by some saint named Gautama. Chandalechae Gotra and Dauda Gotra are also found in the inscriptions. 10 Dosi Gotra. 11 Naluriva Gotra, Iunīvāla Gotra, Ihungativa Gotra, Nāvara Gotra, 12 Bhāndiyā 18 Gotra, Mauthiyā 13 Gotra, Mānthalapurā Gotra, 15 Vahagatā Gotra, 16 Sreshthī Gotra, 17 Sīnghada Gotra, 18 Phophaliya Gotra, 10 Bhandayata Gotra.20 Musala Gotra21 and Siddha Gotra22 are found in the inscriptions of the 15th century A.D. Dhīnā Gotra, 28 Pātānī Gotra²⁴ and Muhavanā Gotra²⁵ are seen in the inscriptions belonging to the 16th century A.D.

1.	NJI., No. 1166.	2.	1bid., No. 295.	3.	EJI., No. 1163.
4,	NJI., No. 1676.	5.	Ibid., No. 412.	6.	1bid., No. 413.
7.	Ibid., No. 2329.	8.	Ibid., No. 2464.	9.	Ibid., No. 830.
10.	Ibid., No. 38.	11.	Ibid., No. 391.	12.	Ibid., No. 1993.
13.	Ibid., No. 1974.	14.	Ibid., No. 1956.	15.	Ibid., No. 1967.
16.	Ibid., No. 1932.	17.	Ibid., No. 2085.	18.	Ibid., No. 1224 & 1227.
19.	Ibid., No. 737 & 823.	20.	Ibid., No. 577.	21.	Ibid., No. 2333.
22.	Ibid., No. 2292.	23.	Ibid., No. 2429,	24.	Ibid., No. 750.

^{25.} Ibid., No. 2370.

PORAVĀLAS: It is said that Poravālas originated simultaneously with Srīmālis from Srīmāla in the eighth century A.D. The people of the eastern gate of Srīmāla, who accepted Jainism from the Jaina saints in the eighth century A.D., were called Poravālas. The origin of the Poravālas from Srīmāla does not seem to be correct. In old inscriptions and manuscripts, Prāgvāṭa has been used for the Poravāla. Prāgvāṭa was another name of Mewar (Medapāṭa). It seems that the people of Prāgvāṭa country in course of time began to be called Prāgvāṭa sor Poravālas. The Poravālas tell their origin from the village Pura in Mewar. Like Srīmālis, Poravālas were also divided into Laghu Sākhā and Brihad Sākhā. We have the inscription of Laghu Sākhā of Poravāla caste of 1653 A.D.³ The image of Sumatinātha was set up in 1334 A.D. by Mantri Vīsaka of Briddha Sākhā of Prāgvāṭa Caste.4

The Gotras® of the Poravāla Caste as known from the inscriptions and manuscripts are as follows®—Jhūlara, Muṇthaliyā, Līmbā, Maṇḍaliyā, Kunagirā, Patela, Narvaṭa, Lolāniya, Posaā, Koṭhāri, Bhaṇḍāri, Ambāi, Koḍakī and Nāga. In 1546 A.D., the brothers Tejapāla, Rājapāla, Ratanasī and Rāmadāsa of Koṭhārī Gotra of Prāgvāṭa Caste constructed the temple of Mahāvīra, at the village named Pinḍavāḍā in Sirohi State. Sānti of Bhaṇḍārī Gotra installed the image of Munisuvratanātha in 1447 A.D.® In 1571 A.D., Vyavahāri Khīmā of Ambāī Gotra set up the image of Dhatmanātha. In 1586 A.D., Mūla of Koḍakī Gotra celebrated the consocration ceremoney of the image of Ādinātha through Vijayasena Sūri of Tapā Gachchha.

Pallīvāla Caste: Pallīvālas both among the Digambaras and Svetāmbaras, seem to have been named after Pālī in Marwar the name of which in olden times was Pallikā. It is said that the people of this place were converted to Jainism in about the eighth century A.D. by Ratnaprabhasuri who converted the people of Osiā and Srīmāla. Pallīvālas are known to have celebrated the consecration ceremoney of images from time to time. In 1233 A.D., Dedā of this caste installed an image of Mallinātha through Yaśobhadra of Chandra Gachchha.¹¹ People of this caste also led Samghas to holy places from time to time from Pālī.¹⁸

Śri Jaina Gotra Samgraha, pp. 13-23.
 NJI., No. 1614.

Ojhā Nibandha Ṣamgraha, p. 25.
 Ibid., No. 2151.

^{5.} Sri Jaina Gotra Samgraha, p. 50 (Introduction). 6. Ibid.

NJI., No. 947, 948 and 150.
 B. Ibid., 621.
 Ibid., 1214.
 Ibid., 1278.
 Bhagavān Pārkvanātha Kī Paramparā Kā Itihāsa, p. 544.

KHANDELAVĀLA CASTE: There is no doubt that the Caste of Khandelavālas originated from the place named Khandelā. But there is some difficulty in assigning the time to this incident. According to the legendary account, Jinasenāchārya in the line of the saint Aparājita, converted the Chauhān king of Khandelā with his subjects to Jainism in v. s. 1.¹ Eighty two Rājputs and two goldsmiths were ruling over eighty four villages of the kingdom of Khandelā. The eightyfour Gotras were formed either after the name of the villages or the heads of villages. The Gotras of the two goldsmiths became Āmnāya Baja and Mohanāya Baja. The time assigned to this incident is not correct. There are no solid grounds for the existence of this caste before the eighth century A.D. The earliest mention of this caste is found in the inscription of 1197 A.D.²

The origin of the eightyfour Gotras, from the eightyfour villages at one particular time, does not seem to be correct. The number eighty four seems to be only conventional. There are eightyfour castes, eightyfour postures (āsanas) etc. Originally, these Gotras may be less in number, but gradually they increased. Some Gotras not even in existence at the beginning were added in order to make them eightyfour in number. These Gotras seem to be based on the place names, occupations and surnames etc.

REGIONAL GOTRAS: The Gotras also seem to be regional in nature. Ajmerā Gotra was probably named after Ajmer. Sunakhatī, the wife of Sāha Surajana of Ajmer of this Gotra, got the Pradymmnacharitra written and gave to the nun Vinayaśrī in 1538 A.D. There is also the mention of this Gotra in the inscription of 1594 A.D. Pāţodī Gotra seems to have originated from the village Pāţodā in Sekhāvat. It is found in the Pradatti of 1764 A.D.⁴ Dosī Gotra seems to have originated from the place named Dausā in Jaipur State. Bohitha of this Gotra of Ajmer set up the image of Chaubīsī in 1601 A.D. The Gotra Kāsalīvāla seems to have come into existence from the village Kāsalī neat Sīkara in Jaipur State. It is mentioned in the Pradatti of the copy of the manuscripts written in 1524 A.D.⁵ Pāṭanī Gotra started from the

Manuscript in the Sästra Bhandara at Ajmer.

संडेलबालान्याः स. १२५० श्री मूलसचे सा राजदडं भा. जगमाहा पुत्र हरपित वैशाख सूदी १ सुद्ध । (Inscription on the image of white marble in the temple of Singhiji at Jaipur.)
 PS., p. 138.
 PS., p. 176.
 PS., p. 96.

village named Pātana, near Khandelā. Pātamāde, the wife of Paharāja of this Gotta of Nagaur, presented a copy of the Adipurana to Dharmachanda in 1520 A.D.1 There is also a mention of this Gotra in the inscription of 1504 A.D.² Tonovā Gotra may have originated from Tonk. It is mentioned in the praiasti of 1522 A.D.8 Kālā Gotra seems to have been named from Kālādevā near Chomu in Jaipur State. Roho of this Gotra celebrated the consecration ceremony of an image of 1516 A.D.4 It is also found in the pralasti of 1607 A.D.5

OCCUPATIONAL GOTRAS: The Gotras were also formed after the occupations. Veda Gotras started from the person who followed the profession of medicines. His descendants in course of time began to be called by this name. In 1584 A.D., Mokā with his wife and sons of this Gotta installed the Samyagdarsana Yantra.6 From the legendary account, it is clear that the ancestor of Baja Gotra was a goldsmith at the time of his conversion to Jainism. In 1646 A.D., Hāthīnātha of this Gotra performed the pratisthā of Dasalakshana Yantra.7 The name of this Gotra is also found to the prasasti of 1688 A.D. The Soni Gotra also indicates the profession of the people. The earliest mention of it is known from the inscription of 1584 A.D. in which Sāha Telā of this Gotra installed Karakundapārsvanātha Yantra.* It is also mentioned in the prasasti of 1688 A.D.® Bohara Gotra seems to have originated from the persons who lend money. Ratana of this Gotra with his sons celebrated the consecration ceremony of the yantra in 1484 A.D.10

TITLES AND SURNAMES: Titles and surnames also seem to have developed into the Gotras. Saha Gotra seems to have originated from the term Saha used for respect and veneration for the person. Sahatu of this Gotra with his wife and sons installed the Arham Yantra in 1539 A.D.11 The name of this Gotra is also found in the pradasti of 1518 A.D.12 The title of Chaudhari was given by the Government to those who did the work of revenue collection. In course of time, it was developed into the Gotra. Saha Mahārājā of this Gotra got the copy of the Pāršvanāthacharitra written and gave

^{1.} PS., p. 2.

^{3.} PS., p. 177.

^{4.} See above, p. 79,

See above, p. 81.

^{7.} संबत १७०३ वैशाख मासे प्रतिष्ठताम — बडा श्री हाथीनाथ प्रणमति ।

^{10.} See above, p. 81.

^{8.} See above, p. 81.

See above, p. 80. 12. PS., p. 63.

it to Dharmachandra in 1554 A.D.1 Chhābadā Gotra seems to have come into existence from Sāha plus Badā (Sāha plus great). First, it was Sāhadā but in course of time, it became Chhābadā. Sāha Notā of Sābadā Gotra got the copy of the Nagakumara-charitra written and presented it to Lalitakīrti.2 There is also a mention of this Gotra in the inscription of 1591 A.D.8 Bhainsa Gotra was probably formed from the terms Bhaī plus Sāha. It is found in the prasasti of 1694 A.D.4 When the people of this Gotra became large in number. they were known as Badajātyā (Big caste). At present, Bhainsā Gotra and Badajātvā Gotra are considered to be identical Gotra. Sethī Gotra probably originated from Sreshthi which meant rich merchant. This term is frequently found in ancient Buddhist and Iaina literature. This Gotra is mentioned in the prasasti of 1575 A.D.5

Besides, there are other Gotras which are known from the inscriptions and praisastis. The earliest mention of Godha Gotra is found in the inscription of 1413 A.D. It records that Vilhana of this Gotra celebrated the consecration ceremony of the images.6 The other Gotras are Tholya Gotra7, Pahadya Gotra,8 Bilālā Gotra,9 Gangavāla Gotra,10 Godikā Gotra,01 Pāndyā Gotra,12 Rānvakā Gotra,18 and Sogānī Gotra.14 There is also a mention of Kurakurā15 Gotra in the inscription of 1584 A.D. which records that Kalu with his sons and grandsons of this Gotra performed the installation ceremony of Rinkara Yantra. This Gotra is not found in the list of eighty four Gotras of Khandelavāla caste. It is known both from the prasasts and inscriptions that the people of this caste were generally associated with the Acharvas of Mula Samgha and rarely with the Acharyas of the other Samghas. It indicates that the centre of the activities of Mula Sariigha remained in Rajasthan.

BAGHERAVĀLA CASTE: Bagheravāla caste originated in about eighth century A.D. from Baghera, a place of great antiquity. Old Jaina temples and images were discovered and its name is also found in the Bijaulia Rock Inscrip-

- J. S Śikshā, p. 128.
 Ibid., p. 113. 3. See above, p. 81. 4. PS., p. 29.
- 5. PS., p. 190. 6. Vīravānī, Vol. VII. 7. See above, p. 12 (F. N. 2). 8. सबत १५९० माह सदी ९ श्री मलसब पहाइया गोत्रे साहत पत्र खेता । (Ins. on Daśalakshana
- Yantra in Jaina temple of Patodi at Jaipur.) 9. संवत १७९९ ज्येष्ठ सुदी १० सोमे श्री मूलमधे कृदकुंदाचार्यान्वये बिलाला गोत्रे जंधही मल्लजी
- gfafcan (Ins. on the metal image of Lunakaranaji Pandya, Jaipur.)
- 10. PS., p. 99. 11. Ibid., 169. 12. Ibid., p. 170.
- 14. Ibid., pp. 44 & 77. 13. Ibid., p 177, See above, p. 81.

tion dated 1170 A.D.¹ This place was also the seat of the Bhaṭṭārakas in the twelfth century A.D.² There is a belief that Rāmasena and Nemasena, the Digambara Jaina saints, converted the king of this town with his subjects to Jainism.³ If not all, majority of the citizens of the town must have embraced Jainism from their hands. Pt. Āśādhara, who went to Dhārānagarī from Māndalagadha for fear of the invasion of Muhammad Ghori in the 12th century, was of Bagheravāla caste.⁴ Pūna Simha, who repaired the famous Kīrtistambha at Chitor in the 15th century A.D. during the reign of Kumbhakaraṇa, was of this caste.³ The Gotras of this caste as known both from the inscriptions and pratastis are as follows—(1) Rāyabhanḍāri°, (2) Sānkhavāla,² (5) Sānāpati° (4) Tholā;² (5) Koṭvā,¹¹o (6) Prabhā¹¹ and (7) Siravāḍyā.¹²

AGRAVĀLA CASTE: The Agravālas are found in large numbers in Rajasthan. They occupy a respectable position in the society. They are highly educated and much advanced. They are found both among the Jainas and the Hindus. They are also an important middle class of business men. They enthusiastically supported Jainism in the past. They performed the installation ceremony of numerous images and got copies of the manuscripts written. According to the traditions, Agravala caste originated from the place named Agrohā in the Punjab and was founded by Agrascna. Once he performed a sacrifice but stopped it when he saw the animals in a miserable condition. Probably, he was influenced by the doctrine of abinsā. It is not clear whether he accepted Jainism or not; but from the pattāvalis,18 it is known that Lohityāchārya converted the Agravālas with their king Divākara to Jainism. Later on, Agravalas began to follow Jainism. According to Nagendranatha Vasu, this Agrasena is the same Ugrasena mentioned in the Allahabada inscription of Samudra Gupta.14 Lohityāchārya was the master of Devarddhi Gani who arranged the Vāchanā in 453 A.D. at Valabhi. The time of Lohityāchārya may be thirty years before Devarddhi. He thus converted the Agravalas along with their king to Jainism in 423 AD. But this

EI, V. XXIV, p. 84, Verses, 82-83.
 IA., V. XX, See Table of Pontifical Residences, p. 57.
 Manuscript in the Sastra Bhaudara of Ajmer.

^{4.} JSAI, p. 134. 5 ARRMA, Yr. 1926-27, No. 10. 6. NJI., No. 438. 7. Ibid., No. 727. 8. Ibid., No. 628. 9. PS., p. 147. 10. PS., p. 98.

^{11.} Inscription on Yantra in the Jaina temple at Jaipur. 12. See above, p. 72.

Inscription on Yantra in the Jaina temple at Jaipur.
 See above, p. 72.
 Śrī Bhagavān Pārśvanāthu Kī Paramparā Kā Ithihāsa, p. 550.
 Id. Ibid., p. 548.

view does not seem to be tenable. First of all, this Ugrasena was the ruler of Northern India while Ugrasena Devarfashraka mentioned in the Allahabad inscription was ruling in the south. Lastly, we have no definite evidence for the existence of this caste before the 8th century A.D. Its Gottas as known both from the inscriptions and the pralatitis are as follows-Goyala, Garga Singhala and Bańsala etc. The Agravalas seem to have been mostly associated with the Kāshthā Saṃgha and rarely with Müla Saṃgha.

NARASIMHAPURĀ & JAISAVĀLA CASTES: Narasimhapurā and Jaisavāla castes among the Digambaras started from the places like Narasimhapurā in Mewar and Jaisalamer respectively in medieval times. The Digambara Jaina saints went to these places for the propagation of Jainism which was adopted by the people. They formed castes which were named after their respective places.

CHITTODĀ AND NĀGADĀ CASTES: Chittodā and Nāgadā castes among the Digambaras originated from the old places Chitor and Nāgadā respectively in Mewar. These castes seem to have come into existence in medieval times. People of these castes were religious minded and got several copies of manuscripts written in medieval times in order to present them to Jaina monks. They constructed temples and placed images in them with great ceremony. They were generally concerned with the Bhaṭṭārakas of the Mūla Sanigha of Vāgada and Kāshṭhā Sanigha. Bhaṭṭāraka Jāānabhūṣhaṇa, who lived in the fifteenth century A.D., wrote the Nāgadār-rāta describing the history of the Nāgadā caste among the Jainas.⁵

HUMBADA CASTE: The place of the origin of Humbada caste is not traceable. Most probably, like other castes, it must have originated from some particular place. In Rajasthan, the people of this caste are found in Dungarapur, Banswara and Pratapagarh, the portion of ancient Vāgada province. They are found both among the Digambaras and the Svetāmbaras. In the Digambaras, they remained in close touch mostly with the Bhaṭṭārakas of the Kāshṭhā Saṃgha and rarely with the Āchāryas of Mūla Saṃgh of Vāgada. This caste also like other castes seems to have come into existence after the 8th century A.D. The persons of this caste also performed the installation ceremony of numerous images and temples. The

^{1.} PS., p. 85. 2. Ibid., p. 119. 3. Ibid., p. 82. 4. Ibid., p. 97.

Sāstra Bhandāra Śrī Digambara Jaina Mandira Sambhavanātha Badā bazāra, Udaipur.

famous Jaina temple at Jhālrāpātan is said to have been constructed by Sāha Pīpā of this caste.¹

Hūmbada caste in course of time was divided into Sākhās and Gotras. The three Sākhās of this caste known to us are namely Laghu, Sākhā. Brihat Śākhā and Varshāvata Śākhā. Varshāvata Śākhā most probably originated from Varshāsāha who was the minister of Mahā Rāvala Harisimha.² On the orders of Mahārāvala, he invited one thousand families of this caste to Kānthala from Sāgavādā. He also started the work of the construction of the Digambara Jaina temple at Devalia but its installation exermony was performed in 1717 A.D. after his death by his sons Vardhamāna and Dayāla. There are eighteen Gotras of this caste: (1) Khetaju, (2) Kamaleśvara, (3) Kākadeśvara, (4) Uttarcśvara, (5) Mantrcśvara, (6) Bhīmeśvara, (7) Bhadreśvara, (8) Gaṅgeśvara, (9) Viśveśvara, (10) Sānkheśvara, (11) Ambeśvara, (12) Chānchancśvara, (17) Someśvara, (14) Rājiyāno, (15) Laliteśvara, (16) Kāsaveśvara, (17) Budheśvara, (18) Sangheśvara.

DHARKAȚA VAMŚA: The people of Dharkața caste are found both among the Digambaras and the Śvetāmbaras. The author of Dhammaparikkhū named Harisheņa of this caste lived in the roth century A.D.* There is a mention of this caste in the inscription of 1230 A.D. at Delavādā. In the two inscriptions of Ābū also, these people have been described. In the beginning, this caste seems to have originated in Rajasthan but now its people are found in the south. From the expression, Sirinjapuriya Thokkadakula of Harishena, Pr. NATHU RAMA PREMI holds that it originated probably from Siroja in Tonk State 7 Mr. Agar Chanda Nāhaṭā observes that it originated from Dhakadagagdha from which also originated the Dhakada branch of the Maheśvarī Caste.* On the evidence of the two pralastis,* he tries to locate this place near Srīmāla.

Srīmoṇha Caste: The Srimoḍha baniās are numerous even today. There are also numerous Brāmaṇas who call themselves after the same place Śrimoḍha. The name of both is derived from the ancient town Modherā south of Anahilavād. The famous Hemachandra Sūrī was also born in this

Anekānta, Vol. 13, p. 124.
 Ibid., p. 124.
 Anekānta Vol. 13, p. 124.
 Ibid.
 Ibid.
 Jaina Pustaka Prašasti Saingraha, Nos. 52 & 93.
 Anekānta, Vol. 4, p. 610.
 Jaina Pustaka Prašasti Saingraha, Nos. 52 & 93.

caste. The inscriptions of the people of this caste can be traced from the 12th century A.D.

The people of these different Castes and Gotras are found all over Rajasthan. Usually, the Sagotra marriage does not take place in them. These people are money-lenders, business men, Government officers and agriculturists. They occupy a very respectable position in the society.

CHAPTER IV

JAINA ART

Jaina art in its various aspects viz. architecture, sculpture and painting developed to a great extent in early times. During the Muslim period, there was an influx of the Srāvakas from the neighbouring provinces, because they considered the Rājput princes as the saviours of their faith and protectors of their religion. As a result of peace and prosperity enjoyed under the Rājput rule, they erected artistic monuments by the inspiration of their religious teachers. Though most of them have been destroyed by the levelling hand of the time and the iconoclastic zeal of the Muslim fanatic rulers; those surviving give us a glimpse of the evolution of art in different periods.

1. IAINA ARCHITECTURE

The existence of Jaina temples of very early times is known only from late traditions, though they cannot be entirely relied upon. An inscription af 1369 A.D. at Müngathalä near Sirohi says that Śrī Keśī Gaṇadhara installed a Jaina image in the Jaina temple at Arbudagiri, during the thirty-seventh year of the life time of Mahāvira. This statement cannot stand an examination, because, at this time, Jainism could not be so popular in this distant region as to induce a devotee to instal an image. The poet Sundaragaṇi of the early seventeenth century A.D. says that Chandragupta Maurya constructed a temple of Pārśvanātha at Ghaṅghāṇi in Marwar.² Actually, at present, no portion of the temple can be attributed to the Mauryan time, but from the style, it seems to have been built in the eleventh century A.D.

APJLS., No. 248.

Bhagavān Pārśvanātha Ki Paramparā Kā Itihāsa, p. 273.

The great grandson of Chandragupta Maurya named Samprati. according to the Jaina books, is said to have constructed a large number of Jaina temples in Rajasthan, Malwa and Kathiawar. An inscription of 1629 A.D. engraved on the image of the temple of Adinatha at Nadlai speaks of the rebuilding by the whole Jaina community of Nadlai of the temple which was originally constructed by Samprati, the hero of Jaina traditions. As a matter of fact, no Jaina temple of Samprati's time is now in existence anywhere in Rajasthan. Top wrongly attributes an old temple of Kumbhalmer to Samprati.2 According to him, the design of this temple is truly classic. It consists only of the sanctuary, which has a vaulted dome and colonnaded portico allround. There is chasteness and simplicity. The proportions and forms of columns are slight and tapering. This type of architecture is undoubtedly Jaina. The extreme want of decoration attests its antiquity to the time of Samprati. But BHANDARKAR8 thinks Top to be quite wrong in ascribing this temple to the second century B.C. It was left in an unfinished condition. Its construction cannot be placed earlier then the twelfth century A.D., because the style of its pillars resembles that of Tejapāla temple at Delavādā on Mt. Abu.

Not only from late traditions, but the existence of Jaina temples in early times is also known from their scattered fragments. The Badalī inscription on a hexagonal pillar shows that probably, it might originally belong to some Jaina monument in the fifth century BC. Its existence during this period is not impossible because about a century had elapsed since Mahāvīra preached his doctrines. The excavations conducted at Keśorāyapāṭana near Bundi may also prove the existence of Jaina temple in the fourth or fifth century A.D. because one Kalpavṛikshapaṭṭa of Jaina mythology and other Jaina sculptures were discovered at a depth of about 25 feet from the surface of the mound along with the bricks of the characteristic of the Gupta age.

Possibly due to Huna invasions, the very early Jaina temples disappeared. Even those, which remained intact, were repaired from time to time and thus transformed. It is, therefore, difficult to get an idea of Jaina architecture of ancient times. From about the eighth century A.D., we get

¹ NJI, No. 856.

^{2.} Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, II, pp. 670-71.

^{3.} PRAS. wc., 1908-09, p. 41.

^{4.} Bhāratīyaprāchīnalipimālā, p. 2.

some knowledge of the style of architecture of the medieval Jaina temples built in Rajasthan.

Some Peculiar Features of Jaina Architecture: Most of the medieval Jaina temples of Rajasthan like Brahmanical temples are of Nagara style. Their fundamental characteristics are the cruciform plan and the curvilinear Sikhara. Some of the temples built in Western Rajasthan under the patronage of the Chālukyas may be placed under the Vesara style. It borrows the elements and features of both the Nagara and the Dravida styles, and it became distinguishable from about the eleventh century A.D. These Jaina temples cannot be distinguished from the Brahmanical temples on sectarian basis, because the same artists, who worked for one sect, were employed also by another sect in the same period and in the same region. When we talk of Jaina architecture, it means temples built under the patronage of followers of the Jaina faith. They were so designed in their arrangements as to conform to the ritual of the Jainas and thus they show peculiarities of Jaina architecture. The domical style of stone was exclusively the characteristic of Jaina architecture in Northern India.1 As it was also the essential feature of the architecture of the Muslims before they came into India, they consequently destroyed Jaina temples in order to seize their domes for their conversion into mosques. In an old Jaina temple, we generally find the principal shrine in the centre, porch and subshrines. Besides, the Jainas preferred enclosed compartments instead of open columned halls, thus, ensuring seclusion for their ceremonies.2 Besides, in Jaina temples, we generally do not find amorous figures but only such of them as create an atmosphere of chastity and simplicity.

JAINA ARCHITECTURE THROUGH THE ADRS: In Rajasthan, there is hardly any important town where a Jaina temple does not exist. But all of them do not represent any peculiarity of Jaina architecture and, therefore, only the important and representative temples of different times have been selected for description in order to bring into prominence the chief features of Jaina architecture. The Jaina temples of the eighth, ninth and tenth centuries are simple in style, though in several respects they are crude imitations of the later Gupta art. In the eleventh and twelfth centuries A.D.,

^{1.} History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, pp. 250-51.

^{2.} Indian Architecture, p. 77.

as a result of long experience and continuous development, the Jaina style of architecture reached its culmination in all respects. From that style, it progressed further during the next one or two centuries towards greater richness but in doing so lost the purity and perfection it had attained in the earlier period; and from that culminating point, its downward development may be traced through abundant examples to the present day.

JAINA TEMPLES OF THE EIGHTH, NINTII AND TENTH CENTURIES: The Pratităras were ruling over Rajasthan in the early medieval period. During their reign, Jaina temples were built. From a pralasti of the Kunalayamāla, it is known that the disciples of Yakshadattagani, the grand pupil of Devagupta, beautified Gurjaradeśa by constructing many Jaina temples in about seventh or eighth century A.D. Further, it is known that Uddyotana composed the Kunalayamālā in the temple of Ādinātha constructed by Virabhadra in the town of Jābālipura (Jālor) full of Srāvakas and beautiful Jaina temples iu 778 A.D.¹ There were Jaina temples at Chitor in the eighth century A.D. as known from Haribhadra. It is clear from the Jambudīvapamati, a work of about tenth century A.D. of Padmanandi that there were several Jaina temples at Barah in Kotah state.²

The number of existing temples of this period is not very large. Many of them were later rebuilt and only fragments indicate their former existence. These temples are small structures with small Sikharas but they are marked by simplicity, serenity and elegance. The pot and foliage types of pillars are found in them. The shaft of the pillars is fluted. The doorways are decorated with floral designs. Among the temples of this period, the Jaina temple of Mahāvīra at Osia is the most complete as it consists of a sanctum, a closed hall and an open porch. Immediately in front of this porch is a Torana or ornamental arch. As known from an inscription, it was originally constructed in the reign of Vatsatāja whose date 783-84 A.D. is also known from the Jaina Harunārisparāna. Besides, there is a second porch in this temple known as nalamandapa erected subsequently over the nāla or staircase. It is enclosed both at the sides and the back by a row of subsidiary shrines. Both nalamandapa and these subsidiary shrines seem to have been rebuilt in the tenth century A.D.³

JBORS, 1928, March, p. 28.

^{2.} JSAI., p. 571.

A. S. I. An. Rep., 1908-09, p. 108.

Besides, there are surviving portions of Jaina temples of this period at other places in Marwar. From the Ghativala inscription, it is clear that Kakkuka of Pratihāra dynasty of Mandor built the Jaina temple in 861 A.D. At present, there is only a niche, the left side of which is engraved with an inscription and the right side sculptured into the figure of a goddess seated on a lion.1 At Mandor, there is an old Jaina temple to the north of the cave of Nahadarao. It is a two-storeved structure consisting of two cells running on three sides of an oblong both above and below. The pillars of the Sabhāmandapa in front of the shrine are old, dating as early as the tenth century A.D.8 At Pāli, the Jaina temple known as Naulakhā is undoubtedly an old building that has undergone repairs. The most ancient part of the temple is gudhamandapa or closed hall, the pillars of which cannot be later than the tenth century A.D. This conclusion is further confirmed by inscriptions on the images found in this temple.8 At Nadasar about 6 miles east of Surapura, there is an old Jaina temple. Its Sabhāmandapa is built of old columns of about the tenth century A.D.4 The Jaina temple of Mahavira at Nānā in the Bali district seems to be of the tenth century A.D. as known from an inscription of 960 A.D. Its old pillars are also probably of this age.8 At Sevadī, six miles from Bijapur in Marwar, there is a temple of Mahāvīra which seems to be a tenth century structure. The only surviving portion of the temple are the walls. The simple figures on these walls are not elaborate but are artistically carved and cannot be later than the tenth century A.D.6

The area round about Sirohi remained a great centre of Jainism in early times on account of Jaina temples constructed there. At Bhadresar, there is the Jaina temple which the people call Jagadūsa, the work of several ages often altered and restored. The alterations and additions have spoiled the architecture. At Uthaman, there is also an old Jaina temple. The massive mouldings and their width and the horizontal courses point to the tenth or eleventh century as the period of their construction. It seems that the Jaina temples were also erected at this early date in Bikaner state. The temple of Tārānagara is said to have been founded in 952 A.D. At Rinī, there

^{1.} PRAS., Wc., 1906-7, p. 34.

^{3.} PRAS., we., 1907-08, p. 43,

Ibid., 1907-08, pp. 48-49.

^{2.} Ibid., p. 31.

^{4.} Ibid., 1911-12, p. 53.

^{6.} Ibid., p. 53. 7. Idid., 1905-09, p. 39.

is a handsome Jaina temple built in the tenth century A.D.¹ The temple of Nohara also seems to have belonged to this period. The remains of old Jaina temples have been also discovered at Pallu. But, here too, practically nothing of the old temples has survived except a number of sculptures and architectural fragments.³

In the territory of Mewar, the early Jaina monuments of this time are found. The most interesting is the tower of Sri Allata at Chitor. It was constructed in 896 A.D. as is known from the inscription which once existed at its base. From the style also, there seems to be no doubt that it was built in the ninth century A.D. It was dedicated to Ādinātha, the first of the Jaina Tirthanikara, whose figure is sculptured hundreds of times on the face of the tower. It is about 80 feet in height and adorned with sculptures and mouldings from the base to the summir. It is a piece of exquisite art without any elaboration. At Nāgdā, there is a Jaina temple partly built into the rock of a hill, known as Padmāvatī Jaina temple. The temple was originally a Digambara one and belongs to the tenth century A.D. sknown from its inscription dated 946 A.D. At Vīrapura, near Partabgath, there is a Jaina temple which is said to be two thousand years old but it is in ruins now.8 Actually, this temple belongs to the 9th or 10th century A.D. from the style of its construction.

Monuments of this period are also in existence in the Kotah State. There are the caves of the eighth or ninth century A.D. situated on the hills at distance of three miles from Rāmgarh. In the ruined town of Kṛishṇavilāsa popularly known as simply Vilāsa, there are three ruined Digambara Jaina temples belonging to a period between the eighth and tenth centuries. One of them must have been a big structure in early times. Its slabs, lintels, arches, brackets, cupolas and a few decorative motifs lying in heaps round about the broken statues of Tīrthankaras give a correct idea of its size and glory when it stood intact. The second temple is of small size but a large number of statues of Tīrthankaras lying in heaps round it shows that the Hindu pattern of not leaving any space undecorated was copied. But the decorative motifs

^{1.} Gazetteer of Bikaner State, p. 195.

^{2.} The Art and Architecture of Bikaner State, p. 58.

^{3.} History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, p. 251.

PRAS., wc., 1904-05, p. 61.
 A Gazetteer of Pratabgarh State, 1908, p. 200.

chosen are only the Tirthankaras in meditative posture. The third temple is most interesting. The building is of not much consequence but a lot of its material has been used by the neighbouring villagers who used it for the construction of their houses. The special feature of this temple is that it is provided with sixteen sanctums, each containing a statue of the Tirthankara. Thus sixteen Tirthankaras were worshipped in a single temple and each one can be identified with the help of the proper lähehbana.

Besides, there are some Jaina monuments of this time in other parts of Rajashan. At Chātsu in Jaipur State, there is a Satāvagī temple on the hill but now appropriated to Siva worship. The whole temple is a modern construction built out of old material but the gate of the shrine is undoubtedly old, perhaps as old as the eighth century A.D.¹ There are some very beautifull Jaina temples at Bhanghūr in the Alwar territory. One of them is a lovely monument and belongs to the tenth century A.D.² All these above buildings or their parts accord with the Jaina style of the age and can easily be distinguished from the contemporary Brāhmanical art by the complete absence of amortous scenes.

THE GOLDEN AGE IN JAINA ARCHITECTURE: The period between the eleventh century and the thirteenth century may be considered as the golden age in the history of Jaina architecture. During this period, the Chauhāna, Chālukya and Paramāra princes were ruling over the different parts of Rajasthan. They were great pattons of Jainism. Besides, Jainism received a great incentive at the hands of rich Jaina merchants, bankers, ministers and generals. They built temples noteworthy for their ornamental details. Generally, these temples consisted of mālagabhāro, gādhamanḍapa, sabhāmanḍapa and devakulikās. The Śikhara of the Nāgara style began to appear in distinct form from this time.

Kumbharia in Southern Rajputana possesses a number of Jaina temples of the 11th century A.D. which show further development and characteristic in the Jaina architecture of this region. The Jaina temple and Cheminātha is situated in quadrangular court, and the double āmalakas crown the anga-libhara as well as the main sikhara. The Părsvanātha temple of this place is also identical in form and design. The mandapa of these two temples

^{1.} PRAS., wc., 1909-10, p. 50.

^{2.} History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, p. 250.

is unique, built of white marbles. Its roof is supported by elegant pillars with capitals. The pillars are richly carved with ornamental arches on the flanks. The mendapa is surrounded by cells of images approached through small well-decorated doorways.

A further development of the above style of Jaina architecture may be recognized in the celebrated two Jaina temples of Mount Abu. The earlier one dedicated to Adinatha was built by a minister named Vimala in 1031 A.D., the later one was constructed by Tejapala in 1230 A.D. Both the temples are very similar in style. The beauty of the buildings and the skill of the artists have been appreciated by several scholars. Cousens remarks, 'The amount of the beautiful ornamental detail, spread over these temples in the minutely carved decoration of the ceilings, pillars, doorways, panels and niches, is simply marvellous; the crisp, thin, translucent, shell-like treatment of the marble surpasses anything seen elsewhere, and some of the designs are veritable dreams of beauty. In the words of FERGUSSION, 'these temples for minute delicacy of carving and beauty of detail stand almost unrivalled even in the land of patient and lavish labour.'2 Top justly remarks, 'the delineation of it defies pen and would tax to the utmost the pencil of the most patient artist'; and he further asserts that "no ornment of the most florid style of Gothic architecture can be compared with it in richness. It appears like a cluster of the half-disclosed lotus, whose cups are so thin, so transparent and so accurately wrought that it fixes the eye in admiration."

The temple of Ādinātha built by Vimala is one of the oldest as well as one of the most complete examples of Jaina temple. It formed some sort of model and illustration for the other temples. The entrance is through a domed square portico building supported by six pillars. The main object in this temple is a cell with a figure of a Tirthanhkara which terminates upwards in a hikbara of pyramidal spire-like roof. It is attached with a portico of a large size, surmounted by a dome resting on eight pillars. The portico is composed of forty eight free-standing pillars and the whole is enclosed in oblong court yard about 140 feet by 90 feet surrounded by a double colonnade of small pillars, forming porticos to a range of cells fifty in number which enclose it on all sides. Each cell is occupied by the cross legged figure

^{1.} PRAS., wc., 1901, p. 3. 2. History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, p. 36.

of a Tirthatikara. The great pillars are of the same height as those of the smaller porticos and like them, they farnish with the usual bracket capitals. Upon them, the upper dwarf columns are placed to give them additional height and on these upper columns rest the great beams which support the dome. The lovely marble dome in this temple is further beautified by rich carvings. In the roofs of the cortidors also, the most complicated ornamental designs have been carved. Externally, the temple is perfectly plain except the spire of the cell.

The temple of Neminātha built by Vastupāla and Tejapāla stands in a court yard measuring about 155 feet by 92 feet. The plan of the temple is largely an imitation of Vimala's temple but it also differs in certain aspects. It has two porches or mandapas. One of which is called the mahāmandapa and the other ardhamandapa. The pillars supporting the porch are somewhat taller and of eight different types. Around the courtyard are arranged the seventy cells with a covered and enclosed passage in front of them and each of these contains a cross legged seated figure of the Tirthamkara. On the pillars, there stand the mssive architraves on which there is a dome. The domical ceiling of the temple and especially the pendant ornament therein surpass in beauty.

A large number of Jaina temples of the same age and style as those on mount Abu were built in an old area round about Sirohi. There are extensive remains of Jaina temples found at Chandrāvatī. Their pillars are so highly ornamented in details and varieties that no two pillars are exactly alike. The existence of a large number of Jaina temples of this place is also known from the various Jaina Tīrthamālās. The beautifully carved fane at Mirpur between Abu and Sirohi seems to be of the same age as the temple of Tejapāla. At Ajhārī, the Jaina temple of Mahāvīra is comparatively modern, but the door frames of some of the cells are carved and are certainly old and probably, they belong to the twelfth century A.D.¹ The pillars and arches of the Jaina temple of Sāntinātha at Jhārol resemble in style those of Vimalašāna's temple. The antiquity of this temple is further confirmed by an inscription of 1141 AD. on a large slab in antechamber referring to the reign of the Paramāra king Dhārāvarsha.²

^{1.} Gazetteer of Sirohi State, p. 248.

Besides, there are other Jaina temples of this time in this area. At Nadia, there is a Jaina temple of Mahāvīra which is said to be more than nine hundred years old. The outer porch is small, plain and undecorated and the interior is very similar to that of the shrine of Jharol.1 The Jaina temples of Thadoil and Müngathala also belong to the eleventh and twelfth centuries A.D. as known from the inscriptions found in respective temples. The oldest portion of the structure of the Jaina temple of Sambhavanātha at Kojarā dates probably from the twelfth century A.D., but many additions and alterations have been made in the intervening period. The inscription engraved on the gudhamandapa says us that the temple was originally consecrated to Pārśvanātha.4 The temple at Or belongs to the twelfth century as is known from the inscriptions. This was originally dedicated to Mahavira and not to Parsvanātha as it is found today.5 There are two temples namely Ādinātha and Santinatha of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries at Vagin as is known from the inscriptions of the temples.6 From the inscription, it is also clear that the Jaina temple of Paladi also belongs to the twelfth century A.D. These temples have undergone repairs from time to time and, therefore, the original structure is not easily distinguishable. The temples of the Sirohi region resemble the Abu group of temples in their general plan and style. Of course, the eleborate carving and rich details are not there.

A large number of Jaina monuments were built in Rajasthan in the reign of early Chauhāna rulers. From the Bijaulia Rock inscription,8 dated 1170 A.D., it is clear that the ancestors of Lollaka built Jaina temples at Todaraisingh, Bagherā, Naraina, Naravara and Ajmer. Lollaka himself constructed a temple of Pārśvanātha at Bijaulia and surrounded it with seven small temples. The existing temples cannot in fact be the same as those constructed by Lollaka as they are inferior in workmanship and look quite modern. No Jaina temples of the Chauhāna period are noticed at Bagherā, Todaraisingh and Naraina, but the sculptures discovered there give some idea of the Chauhāna art. In the beginning, it was rather rustic but gradually, it became more elegant in the twelfth century A.D.

A Gazetteer of Sirohi State, 248.

^{3.} Ibib., 1906-07, p. 26.

^{5.} Ibid., p. 59.

^{7.} Ibid., p. 64.

PRAS., we., 1905-06, p. 48.

^{4.} Ibid., 1916-17, p. 62.

^{6.} Ibid., p. 65.

^{8.} EI., XXIV, p. 84.

Among the existing Jaina monnments of this period, the principal monument is the Dhai-dinaka-hompara.1 It was converted into a mosque in the twelfth century A.D. There are very strong traditions among the Jainas of its being a Jaina temple. The head of a Jaina image found in the excavations of this place strengthens the view of its being a Jaina temple.8 The discovery of nine or ten Jaina marble images in 1816 A.D. bearing the inscriptions of the twelfth century A.D. in the immediate neighbourhood of Dhai-dinaka-Ihompara may prove that they originally belonged to this building.4 Besides, this building resembles the Jaina temples of the same period at Abu. The early European writers such as Top, 5 Fergussion 6 etc. supposed it to be the Jaina temple which was converted into a mosque by the Muslim rulers. From the inscriptions of the Ihompara, it is known that it was the College building constructed by Vigraharaja. The Jaina sources? inform us that Vigraharaja constructed several Jaina monasteries, and he is also said to have hoisted a flag over Rajavihara which most probably was this Sarasvatīmandira. It seems to be a Jaina college used for higher education. Not only the study of Jaina scriptures but also the study of other branches of learning such as drama and poetry were pursued. In this way, we may account for the drama of Vigraharaja inscribed here.

This building is 185 feet by $57\frac{1}{2}$ feet. The screen wall of it is 185 feet long, $11\frac{1}{2}$ feet thick and rises to a height of 56 feet. It is a high and noble style of art and consists of seven arches. The central arch is 22 feet and 3 inches and the remaining arches are all 13 feet 5 inches. After the central porch, there is a vast pillared hall 248 feet long by 40 feet wide, covered by a flat recessed roof which is divided into nine octagonal compartments correspond to the contract of the contr

The name Phäi dina kā Jhomparā is not an original one but given in the time of Marāṭhās because the fakiras began to assemble here to celebrate the Urs anniversary which lasted for two days and a half.

^{2.} This temple is said to have been built by Vtramadeva kala in celebration of the Jaina festival Pancha Kalyana Mahotsava in 860 A.D. (v.s. 717) at a cost of seven lakhs of rupees. The foundation stone was laid by the Jaina Bhattāraka Srt Visvanandaji.

In the Jaina temple of Dharmadāsa at Ajmer is a record which states that the building was completed on Māghabadi 9th Samvat 1132.

^{3.} ARRMA., 1918. 4. JASB., VII, p. 51,

^{5.} Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, II, pp. 896-900.

^{6.} History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, p. 263,

^{7.} GOS., LXXVI, P. 370.

ponding with the seven arches of the screen wall and two corners of the cloisters. In this hall, there are five rows of columns and seventy pillars. These pillars are elegant in sculpture. The ceiling is supported by quadruple range of columns which are unique in design. The ornaments are very complex. There may be forty columns, but no two of them are alike. The ornaments of the base are peculiar both in form and execution. They are surrounded by the lozenges. The projections from the various parts of the shaft with the small niches still contain the statues. Here and there are found the richly carved corbeille. The capitals are at once strong and delicate.

Jaina temples of this period are also found at several places in Marwar. There is a group of sixteen temples at Nädläl and most of them belong to the Jainas. The Jaina temple of Neminätha situated on the top and the Ādīśvara temple at the bottom of the hill probably belong to the eleventh century. This supposition is based on the style of the pillars and the inscriptions discovered in these two temples. From the study of the inscriptions of the temple of Ādinātha, it is clear that it originally belonged to Mahāvīra.¹ The Jaina temple of Kekind is dedicated to Pārīsvanātha. Excepting the ceiling of the Sabhāmandapa and a few pillars, everything is modern. The former is a twelfth century's work and the latter belongs to the time of the inscription of 1602 A.D. engraved on the pillar of the hall. The antiquity of this temple is further determined by a small inscription of V. S. 1230 incised on the old pedestal of the image of the Tirthankara in the shrine.²

At Sanchor, there is an old mosque, which according to its two Sanskrit inscriptions, was originally a Jaina temple. The inscription of 1220 A.D. records the etection of a mandapa by a Sanighapati named Hariśchandra. The other inscription of 1263 A.D. speaks of certain repairs done to chatubkicka in the temple of Mahāvira. There is a monument known as Topakhānā at Jalor which seems to have been constructed out of the materials of the one Hindu temple and three different Jaina temples namely Ādinātha, Mahāvīra and Pārśvanātha as known from the inscriptions. These temples were in existence in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. The temple of Pārśvanātha was constructed by Kumātapāla, the Chālukyan ruler, in the mixed style.

PRAS., wc., 1908-09, p. 43.

^{3.} PRAS., wc., 1907-08, p. 34.

^{2.} Ibid., 1910-11, p. 36-37,

^{4.} Ibid., p. 35.

The temple of Mahāvīra of Ghāṇerāv situated at the foot of hills consists of a shrine, a closed hall, an antechamber and an open porch attached thereto. In front of the latter are the open hall and the entrance porch with the rows of cells running along on three sides. Above the basement mouldings on the exterior are the windows, the perforated screens with balconies projecting and running allround the antechamber, the closed hall and the shrine. These wall mouldings are undoubtedly old, probably as old as the eleventh century; but the spire, open hall and the entrance porch are of later times.\(^1\)

At Phalodhi, there is a temple of Pārávanātha which belongs to the twelfth century A.D. In front of the shrine, on each side, is a white marble slab with an inscription on it. One of these speaks of a gift of Chandaka together with Srī Chirakuriyadilaphasa in the temple of Pārávanātha at Phalavardhikā in 1164 A.D.² At Surapura also, a Jaina temple of this time is found. An inscription of 1182 A.D. incised on the left pillar says that it was originally dedicated to Neminātha. It further informs us that pillars of the porch were erected by Suhava, wife of Dhāhada.³

At Sanganer near Jaipur, there is also a very beautiful Jaina temple known as Singhiji kā Mandira. Who this Singhi was, is not known. BANDARRAB holds that this temple does not appear to be older then the fifteenth century A.D.* But this view does not appear to be correct; because there is an inscription of 954 A.D. on bandarawāla of the main shrine in the second hall of the temple. This definitely proves that the temple belongs to the tenth century A.D. Further, this temple may be compared with the temples of Abu built at this time for its deep beautiful carvings and the style of pillars. There are also the three stone images with the inscriptions of the eleventh and twelfth centuries A.D. placed in the temple.

The door of the temple is beautifully carved with dwarfs, elephants, kinnarar and kinnarīs and the Tirthakaras. Then comes the Sahhāmandaþa or open porch. There are two courtyards on both the sides with twelve pillars. Between the two pillars, there is a beautiful bandaravāla. On the capital of the pillar is standing the figure of kinnarī holding child, flower, some times drum and chahīvarī. These kinnarīs are very skilfully carved. Then,

^{1.} PRAS., wc., p. 59.

^{3.} Ibid., 1911-12, p. 53.

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^{2.} Ibid., 1909, p. 60.

^{4.} Ibid., 1909-10, p. 47.

comes the entrance of the second Sabhāmaṇḍapa. It is also carved with aparatis, dwas and peacocks. In the hall, there is a central shrine most beautifully carved with scrolls, lotus flowers, creepers and elephants pouring water over the heads of the Tirthamkaras. Excellent bandaranālas are also, found on the three sides. Besides, there are nineteen subsidiary cells in a row in which the images are placed. The main shrine and these subsidiary cells are surmounted by the Sikharas.

There is a temple of Siva near the temple of Bālājī at Purāṇā Ghāṭa about three miles/from the city of Jaipur. It was originally a Jaina temple built in the twelfth century A.D. An undated inscription in the characters of the twelfth century xD. on a lintel of one of the arches of this temple contains five verses and extols the Jaina Nābhi. It also mentions two names of Jaina Srāvakās belonging to Pushkara Jāti. An inscription of 1160 A.D. on another lined mentions the names of Āchāryas and their pupils.\(^1\)

Jhālrapatan is famous as a city of old temples. Among them, the Jaina temple of Santinātha is well known. It is said to have been built by Shān Ppā in 1046 A.D. and its installation ceremony was performed by Bhāvadeva Sūri.* The present temple is the rebuilding of an older temple. The shrine and siehara are old and in the newly constructed mandapa, a few old Hindu figures have been found.* The antiquity of this temple is further proved by the inscriptions of the eleventh and twelfth centuries engraved on funeral memorials termed 'mischabikas' of Jaina priests.* At Atru, there are two exquisite Jaina temples of about the twelfth century A.D. The main structure of the one with a mutilated statue of Pārsvanātha in the sanctum is still standing, though in a precarious condition. The other temple has practically disappeared but the huge statue of Mahāvīra, which is too heavy to be transported, still stands on a pedestal; and round about, there are signs of the foundations which reveal the plan of a pretty big Jaina temple.

At Lodorva about ten miles west of Jaisalmer, Sridhara and Rājadhara, the princes of the king Sāgara are known to have built the temple of Pārśwanātha in the eleventh century A.D.⁵ Actually, this temple belongs to this period as known from the study of its architecture. The style of archi-

^{1.} ARRMA., 1920-21, Inscriptions, Nos. 2-3.

^{2.} Anekānta, XIII, p. 125.

^{3.} Archaeological Survey of Cunninghan, II, pp. 263-67.

^{4.} Annals and Antiquities of Rajasthan, II, p. 792.

^{5.} NJI., 2543.

tecture in the lower part of the temple is purely of South Indian Hindu type, while the upper part is of North-west Indian type. The toranadvara, which is elaborately carved and richly decorated, stands very close to the courtyard and in front of the main temple. At four corners of the enclosure are four small temples of good workmanship. An artificial tree known as Kalparyikiba with fruits is very carefully and artistically preserved within the enclosure.

REVIVAL OF JAINA ARCHITECTURE FROM THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY: Most of the buildings described above belong to the great age of Jaina architecture which extended upto about 1300 A.D. or perhaps a little longer. Then there was a pause for more than a century, and after that started the revival in the Jaina architecture from the fifteenth century A.D. Most of the Jaina temples of this period are the copies of the early Jaina temples of Abu and Sanganer. In doing so, they lost the purity and elegance that characterized the earlier example. They did not possess the magnificience, grandeur of plan and the wealth of details. Besides, these temples show the influence of the Muslim style of architecture. Most of them are surmounted by the bulbous dome of the Mughals, and the openings almost invalvably take the form of Muhammedan foliated pointed arch.

The temple of Sadri built in the valley of natural beauty belongs to this peried. It was erected by Rāṇā Kumbha. It is the most complicated and extensive Jaina temple in Rajasthan. It is nearly a square, 200 feet by 225 feet, exclusive of the projections on each face. In the centre stands the great shrine with four niches, in each of which is placed a statue of Ādinātha. Above this are four other niches, similarly occupied, opening on the terraced roofs of the building. Near the four angles of the court are four smaller shrines, and around them, or on each side of them, are twenty domes, supported by about 420 columns; four of these domes—the central ones of each group—are three storeys in height, and tower over the others; and one—that facing the principal entrance—is supported by the very unusual number of sixteen columns and is 36 feet in diameter, the others being only 24 feet. Light is admitted to the building by four uncovered courts, and the whole is surrounded by a range of cells, many of them now unoccupied, each of which has a pyramidal roof of its own.

Besides the twelve in the central *likharas* there are eightysix cells of very varied form and size surrounding the interior, and all their facades more

or less adorned with sculpture. Most of these cells contain the images of the Tirthamkaras. The lofty basement and the great elevation of the principal domes produce a favourable impression from the external sight. But the greatest defect of this building is the want of ornamentation on their exterior faces which beautify the Hindu temples.

"The immense number of parts in the building, and their general smallness, prevents its laying claim to anything like architectural grandeur; but their variety, their beauty of detail—no two pillars in the whole building being exactly alike—the grace with which they are arranged, the tasteful admixture of domes of different heights with flat ceilings and the mode in which the light is introduced, combine to produce an excellent effect. Indeed, I know of no other building in India, of the same class, that leaves so pleasing an impression or affords so many hints for the graceful arrangement of colums in an interior".

CHATURMUKHA AND SAMAVASARAAN STYLE OF ARCHITECTURE: The Chammkha or Chaturmukha style of Jaina architecture also statted during this period. It seems to be an imitation of Chaturmukha Śivalinga of the Hindus. It denotes four images of a Tirthamkara placed on one and the same pedestal back to back so as to face the four cardinal directions. It therefore presupposes that not only the sanctum in which such a chaturmukha is installed but also the enclosing wall should have four doors facing the four images.

Such a chaturmukha type of temple was built by Poravāda Mahājana Dhannā Setha in 1440 A.D. at Ranpur during the reign of Kumbhakaraṇa. The shrine in this temple is occupied by a quadruple image and is open on the four sides, each facing an image. There is also a similar shrine on the upper storey accessible by four doors. The lower and the principal shrine has no closed hall but only a small porch called mukhamandapa. Further, there is an open assembly hall on a lower level, approached by a flight of stairs on each side. Outside this flight of stairs is an open porch and above it is a nalamandapa. Facing the sides of each of the mukhamandapas of the principal shrine is a large subsidiary shrine and facing each sabhāmandapa is a smaller subsidiary shrine. Around these four shrines are four groups of domes resting on about 420 columns. The central ones of each group—four in

^{1.} History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, pp. 241-242.

number—are three storeys high and tower over the others of the same group, and one of the central domes, that facing the principal entrance is double, having a second dome over the inner and supported by the very unusual number of sixteen columns. The sides of the temple between the larger subsidiary shrines and the entrances are occupied by ranges of cells for images, each with a pyramidal roof of its own but without any partitioning walls.¹

There is a temple of this type also at Kumbalgarh. It faces the east and consists of a subbāmanḍapa and a shrine. The former is accessible on three sides from east, north and south. The latter has four doors, and in the centre of the interior are the remains of a pedestal with four pillars at the corners obviously a canopy over it. There is no doubt that it was a Chainmukha temple though the image placed on the pedestal cannot be traced. The Sringāra Chavadī temple at Chitor is a Jaina shrine. It is said to have been built by the Jaina treasurer of Rāṇā Kumbha. Originally, it had four porches and the entrances like all Chaturmukha temples. Two of these on the east and south were removed, and the entrances built up with the coarse Jālī work.

There is a great Chaturmukha temple of Ādinātha built in the middle of the fifteenth century A.D. at Abu. It is three storeyed in height with open domed porticos on four sides,. It has seventy six pillars. One such temple was also built in the city of Sirohi during the victorious reign of Mahārājādhirāja Rāja Siriha, son of Sūratasiriha in, 1577 A.D. 8

At Kumalgath, there is a temple known as Golorā temple. It is so called because it is surrounded by a round walled enclosure facing east. It was not Chaumukha but a Samanalarana temple. This is clearly seen from the different classes of gods and goddesses sculptured at the corners of the walls near the top of the interior.

The Jaina tower known as Kirtistambha situated on the hills of Chitor is one of the most remarkable buildings. It is about 80 feet in height and is composed of eight storeys. It has a pavilion on the top which probably enshrined a Chaumukha image in it. It was built by Punasimha of the Bagheravāla caste during the reign of Rāṇā Kumbhakaraṇa and is full of decorations.

A.S.I., An. Report, 1907-8, pp. 205-213.
 PRAS., wc., 1908-09, p. 40.

^{3.} Ibid., 1903-04, p. 42. 4. A History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, p. 43.

PRAS., wc., 1905-06, p. 47.
 1bid., 1908-09, p. 40.

OTHER MEDIEVAL JAINA TEMPLES: The great Jaina temples of of Chintamani Parivanatha, Rishabhadeva, Santinatha, Sambhavanatha and Mahavira in the fort of Jaisalmer constructed one after another in a period between the twelfth and the fifteenth centuries are excellent. From a praisati of the Dalabrāvakacharitra written in 1218 A.D., it is known that Jagaddhata, son of Kahemandhara, constructed the temple of Pārśvanātha at Jaisalmer. The temple of Pārśvanātha, which is the oldest and most beautiful, repaired from: time to time. The most important part of the temples is the shrine containing the image of Tirthainkara. The four walls of the shrine are beautifully carved with animals and human figures. Over the toof of this particular shrine is built a highly decorated Sikhara invariably crowned by an amalaka. Above the āmalaka is the water pot containing a lotus flower. There is a porch and bhogamandapa in front of this shrine. Facing this porch, there is the natamandapa, octagonal in shape, which is decorated with themes of Jaina and Hindu mythology.

Profuse ornamentations in the shape of foliage, flowers, birds and human figures were used in decorating every part of the pillar, arch, lintel or bracket. There hang the graceful full blown lotus-shaped pendants from the centre on the ceiling of the Najamandira dome. Over the columns of the porch are the bracket capitals which support the architraves of the dome and the struts supporting the gallery. Between the bracket capitals and under the struts are placed beautifully ornamented tongua shaped figure forming a kind of pierced arch. The surrounding courtyard is enclosed by a double colonnade of smaller finely carved and ornamented ceilings. Behind it, there stands a range of cell, and each of it contains the cross legged seated Tirthanikara.

Before the entrance gate of the temple is the porch supported by decorated columns. Just over the chhujas at both corners in the friezes of the porch are two figures of elephants. The carving perforated in the architraves, kangura parapet and especially the libbara or dome over the porch are elegant and graceful. The greatest attraction of these temples is the lorana that stands on a pair of decorated columns in front of the entrance porch of Parśvanatha temple. The columns are ornamented with lotus, animals, makaras and adorned with sculptures which seem almost instinct with life and

^{1.} Juisalamera Kā Süchšpatra, pp. 116 and 37.

THE AWAR A WE morion. There is a wonderful grace in these sculptures representing different gods and apsarās.

The Jaina temples of Godhas and Chaudharis at Marotha claim to have been founded in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries respectively. These temples have undergone repairs from time to time but still some original portion of the structure in both the temples supports the date ascribed to them. The decoration on the ceiling of the temple of Chaudharis and the pillars of the temple of Godhas are of the type prevalent in the fourteenth century A.D.

The Jaina temples of Bhandasara Chintamani and Neminatha of Bikaner also belong to this age. The temple of Bhandasara was founded by a rich merchant named Bhanda. This temple is also known as Sumatinatha temple. Its shrine is round in form. It is surmounted by two storeys, each opening into four balconies and interconnected by narrow stairs. Mandapa, galleries and porches surround the shrine. At the top, there is the shrine with its strings and upstrings of decorative small likharas and its gilded flag staff. The temple is built of yellow Jaisalmer stone. Both the motifs of Raiput and Mughal architecture are found beautifully mixed in the construction of this temple.

From the artistic point of view, the Chintamani temple is superior to that of Bhandasara temple. It is also made of yellow Jaisalmer stone. Its construction work started in the time of Rava Bika but it was completed shortly after his death in 1503 A.D. Originally, the shrine and the chief mandapa were constructed. But thirty years later, it was enlarged by another hall and an open front porch and two small side porches. The substructure, the columns, the capitals, the domes and the pent roofs seem to have been imitated from Gujarātī temples, while the rich arbesques, floral decorations, lozenge and bainsa friezes panels and occasional elephant figures reveal a development which had its origin in a renaissance of medieval Hindu architecture. The meaning of the pot and the foliage capitals of the multiple type is lost and too small carved brackets rise in a quite inorganic manner from the midst of the capitals. The spire is short and heavy. When in 1583 A.D., Rajasimha deposited the Jaina idols recovered from Sirohi booty in a vault in the Chintamani court, another Jaina temple of Adinatha was built near it.

The most beautiful Jaina temple at Bikaner is the temple of Neminātha. It has a shrine surmounted by a high likhara. There are elegantly carved āmalaka and kalasa over the likhara. It has a closed mandapa with lateral doors and an open arāhamandapa accessible from three sides. It is richly decorated with various motifs. Their likhara is decorated with eight beautiful strings. The entrance of the shrine is beautifully carved. The lintel is decorated with several friezes, a cornice and a set of fine half engaged niches enclosing divine images. The bottom of the door jambs is protected by dvārapālas attended by minor godlings. The roof is supported by brackets decorated with dancing apsarās. Other motifs such as scrolls, creeper spirals, the diamond lozenge and the use of four and eight petalled star flower were used for ornamentation.

UNDERGROUND TEMPLES: The underground temples also began to be built for the protection of the images against the iconoclastic activities of the Muslims. Such a temple was built and images were placed in it at Chāndakhedī in the princely state of Kotah by Krishpadāsa, a Baghetavāla merchant, in 1689 A.D., during Aurangzeb's reign. There was a danger of its destruction, therefore, it was built in an unique form. The main temple its underground and the entrance to it is through a narrow passage. No arrangement was made for admitting light in it. Above it there is another temple but the image placed in it has not been installed according to the Sāstric injunctions. Apparently it seems to be a temple if not a shrine. But the object of its construction was to protect the underground temple from the Muslim destruction.\(^1\) Such an underground portion is also found in some other Jaina temples at different places. The main aim was to place the images in them for protection from the Muslim iconoclasm if such a situation arose.

MODEEN JAINA ARCHITECTURE: After the decline of the Mughals when law-and-order was established during British petiod, Jaina temples again began to appear. They were constructed mostly on the model of old Jaina temples. The features were the old dome, likhara, pillars and also the other motifs for the decoration. Though the style of these new Jaina temples is rich and ornate, it has lost much of its original purity and simplicity.

^{1.} Kotā Rājya Kā Isihāsa, p. 219.

Besides, sometimes, too much of modernity also disfigures the latest Jaina temples. Then, there is also the crude colour washing and painting. Such temples are found in a large number in the important cities of Rajasthan such as Jaipur, Kotah, Bikaner, Udaipur and Jodhpur.

2. JAINA ICONOGRAPHY

It is somehow difficult to determine the time when the Jainas started the practice of the worship of images. Even in the Indus Valley civilization, some images supposed to be Jaina have been discovered. But we are on the sure ground about the worship of images among the Jainas from the Nanda period onwards. The Häthigumphä inscription of King Khāravela records that he took back from Pāṭaliputra the Jaina idol which was carried off by one of the Nanda kings from Kalinga.¹ There are two nude mutilated statues without symbols in the Patna museum. One of them posseses the polish of Mauryan age and may be attributed to the third century a.c. and the other on stylistic grounds to the second century a.c.² After that, image worship grew more and more popular and elaborate.

GENERAL CHARECTERISTICS OF JAINA IMAGES: The image of Jina must be skilfully prepared so that it may satisfy the artistic thirst of the devotee and should enable to imagine the infinite through a visible form. According to the traditional and śāstric convention, the distinguishing features of a Jina figure are its long hanging arms, the irīvaisa symbol, the mild form, youthful body and nudity. The other peculiarities of the Jaina iconography are serenity, dignity, calm, rhythm, proportion and restraint. Generally, all the images except the very early ones have a lārāchhana or symbol which differentiates them from each other.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE KUSHĀŅA AND GUPTA JAINA IMAGES: The Jaina images of the Kushāṇa and Gupta periods have been discovered at Mathura. The distinctive symbols are not found on the images of the Kushāṇa period. But in the case of the images of Pārśva, a snake canopy behind the head of the figure is noticed. This enables us to identify the Jina without any difficulty. But with regard to the other Jinas, we are in darkness unless the inscriptions help us. The Kalpasatra gives a list of all the

JBORS., III, p. 458.

twenty four lambhanas for twentyfour Jinas. In the sculpture of the Kushkna period, the figure of Tirthankara is not seen attended by either a Yaksha or Yakshini. It seems that the lambhanas as well as the Yaksha figures remained separate for long.

When confusion as to how to distinguish one Jaina image from another having a steriotyped appearance arose, it probably became necessary to mark the images with their respective symbols. In this way, the practice of associating the lathebhanas started in the Gupta period. Besides, the figures of the Yaksha and Yakshini also became necessary adjuncts. Other motifs were a trilinear umbrella, a drum player surmounting it, and a pair of elephants on two sides of the umbrella and abarmachakra symbol attended by a pair of other bulls or deer form the parts of the Jaina sculpure. Evidently this type of development in the Jaina iconography is due to external influence of contemporary iconographic types.

METAL IMAGES: Images are made of both metal and stone. Metal images are important from the artistic point of view, and they can be preserved also for a long time. Inscriptions on them can be inscribed clearly without any difficulty. Their construction does not cost so much and hence they were made in large numbers. Their smallness of size enables the people to carry them from one place to another easily if the circumstances demand it.

The construction of the metal images may be traced to very early times in Rajasthan. From the poet Samayasundara of the early seventeenth tentury A.D., it is known that Chandragupta Maurya and his great grandson Samprati installed the golden images of Pārsvanātha and Padmaprabha respectively in the Jaina temple of Ghanahāni. Whether we believe in this late evidence or not, we are on the sure grounds of the existence of metal images from the seventh century A.D. On one pair of the images of Rishabhadeva discovered at Vasantagaḍh is incised an inscription dated 687 A.D., and it is the earliest image so far known to us in Rajasthan. Along with it, many old brass images have been also found out.

In 1582 A.D., the combined efforts of Răyasimha and of his minister Karmachandra succeeded in obtaining from Akbar no less than 1050 Jaina metal images which had been looted in 1576 A.D. during the capture of Achalagarh and the defeat of Surtānasimha of Sirohi by Turāsankhan. At

present they are deposited in an underground vault of the Chintāmani temple at Bikaner. Among these idols, there are a number of masterpieces in bronze, copper and brass. Some are of the ninth century while others belong to the period from eleventh to the fifteenth century A.D.

There are eleven big metal images weighing about 1440 or 1444 maunds in the Jaina temple of Chaumukhaji at Achalagath near Abu. Each among these images weighs about 140 or 144 maunds. These images were brought from Dungarpur and installed at this place in v.s. 1566. The metal images with such a huge weight are not generally found anywhere.

DIFFERENT TYPES OF METAL IMAGES: In comparison with stone images, it is easy to devise varieties in metal images. The types of metal images are many; and the principal varieties are (1) Single image both in Padmäsma and Khadgātana (ekal), (2) two images (dvitītrih), (3) three images (Tritirthl), (4) five images (Paāchatītthī), (5) twenty four images of the Tirthankaras (Chaubisī), (6) Nandiśvaradvīpa, (7) Siddhapratimā, (8) Bāvanachaityālayapratimā, Ashṭakamalākāra-pratimā etc. In the Chaubisī, the main image of Tirthankara is found in the centre while the remaining Tirthankaras are found around him. Such a beautiful metal image of Chaubīsī is found in the temple of Chaudhatīs at Jaipur. The elephants are pouring water over the main figure of the Tirthankara and below, the aptarās are dancing. The effigies of Navagrības are also shown. There is an image of Bāvanachaityā-layapratimā of 1608 AD. in the shape of a plate in the Jaina temple of Lūṇakaranajī Pāṇdyā, at Jaipur. In the centre of the plate is a Nandišvaradvīpa and in its four corners, a group of thirteen images in Padmäsana is displayed.

WORSHIP OF YANTRAS: Jainas also used to worship the yantras made of copper and brass. Some are square but most of them are circular. Both big and small yantras are used. The inscription is inscribed round the yantra. The installation of yantras from the thirteenth century onwards is known both from inscriptions as well as from the literary evidence. Even earlier than that, they might have been in vogue as known from the pratishhāpājha of Jayasenāchārya which is said to be of the tenth century A.D.

STONE IMAGES: In a period between the eighth and the thirreenth century A.D., big and excellent Jaina images of stone were made. Their design and execution are perfect. The facial expressions, the graceful poses and the various moods are chiselled in an exquisite manner. And no wonder,

all these motifs are attractive and fascinating. Two very beautiful images of Neminātha of the eighth or ninth century A.D. have been discovered at Narhad. Stone images of Jaina Tirthankaras of the tenth century A.D. found out at Naraina are of high artistic merit. One excellent image of Sahasrakūtachaityālava with the inscription of 949 A.D. is noticed in some Jaina temples of Jaipur. It is square in form and there are one hundred and eight images in a group of twenty seven in each corner.

Stone Iaina images of the eleventh and twelfth centuries have been discovered in different parts of Rajasthan. At Bhanghur in Alwar territory, there is a colossal Jaina image of twenty feet in height called Nan Gungi of the eleventh century A.D.1 At Bahadurpur in Alwar, three life size Jaina figures standing upright and naked under a banyan tree on the Baghola embankment have been found.2 A colossal Jaina figure thirteen feet nine inches high with a canopy of two feet six inches over the head supported by two elephants stands at Pārānagara in Alwar. The whole height of the sculpure is sixteen feet three inches and its breadth is six feet.8 Three colossal images of the eleventh century A.D. built by a Raiput Saradara are found at Shergarh in Kotah State where both Jainism and Brahamanical religion flourished side by side.4 The stone images of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries in the sitting pose are also found at Sanganer, Baghera, Mārotha and in the area of Sirohi and Chitor. A sandstone sculpture of Jivantasyāmī measuring about five feet three inches in height and two feet in width discoverd at Khimvsar, near Nagaur is noteworthy. This sculpture represents Mahāvīra prior to the renunciation. From the dress and ornaments and the attendants below, it has been dated between the tenth and eleventh centuries

Jaina images of the medieval period are not so fine but still some of them are important from the artistic point of view. In the Jaina temple of Adabadajī at Nāgadā, there is a seated image of Sāntinātha ten feet in height. In point of size, finish and skill of execution, the image is a marvellous one in this area and, therefore, the temple is known as Adabadaji. From the inscription on the image it is known that Sarang constructed this image in 1437 A.D. during the reign of Mahārāṇā of Kumbhakaraṇa. Two excellent

^{1.} History of Indian And Eastern Architecture, p. 250.

^{2.} Archaeological Survey of India, XX, p. 115

^{3.} Archaeological Survey of India, XX, 125.

^{4.} Koță Răjya Kâ Itihāsa, p. 125.

Chaubīsī images of white marble decorated with navagrihas, Indras, apsarās and animals are placed in a Jaina temple of Jaipur.

DEFIES: Besides Tirthańkaras, the Jainas worshipped several other deities such as Sarasvari, Ambikā and Padmāvari. In order to distinguish them from the Hindu deities, they are associated with the Tirthańkaras. Generally, the image of Tirthańkara is found on the crown of the deity with whom she is related. In their execution, the sastric conventions have been observed but the art has not been sacrificed. It reveals highly artistic skill, balance, pose, proportion and expression.

There are three varieties of the image of Sarasvatī such as (1) two armed (2) four armed and multi-armed varieties. The chief distinguishing features are the book and the vehicle swan which is sometimes replaced by a peacock. One beautiful metal image of Sarasvatī probably of the seventh or eighth century A.D. found in a Jaina temple of Pindavada in Sirohi State stands on a lotus and holds a book in her left hand and lotus in her right hand.1 A beautiful black stone image of Sarasvati brought from Arthuna in Banswara state is now preserved in the Rajputana Museum. It has four hands holding the vīnā and the book in her two left hands and rosary and lotus in the two right hands. The mukuta of the goddess is surmounted by a small figure of Jina. A Jaina image of Sarasvatī dated 1045 A.D. discovered at Naraina is also important from the artistic point of view. There is an image of Sarasvatī of the thirteenth century A.D. in the temple of Mahāvīra at Ajhārī and also in the temple of Bābāji at Ajmer. A small marble image of this goddess at Achalagarh holds vīnā and the book in the two upper hands and the rosary and kamandalu in the two lower ones. Its mutilated sculpture at Bayana seems to have held the same four objects but is riding a peacock. The beautiful figure of Sarasvatī found at Pallu in the Bikaner state is an excellent specimen of medieval Indian sculpture. It is of white polished marble and is in a benevolent mood. It has four hands.

The deity of Ambikā is also worshipped among the Jainas. Her vehicle is the lion and seems to be associated with the first Tirthankara Adinātha. The goddess is seen holding a child in her arms. There is a brass image of Ambikā of the tenth century A.D. in a Jaina temple of Sadri.

PRAS., wc., 1905-06, p. 48.

She is holding a child in her left arm while there is a amalumbī in right arm. Besides at Morkhānā in the Susānī temple, a mighty image of Devi of the twelfth century A.D. is sitting on a lion. From an iconographic point of view, it is closely related to the Jaina images of Ambikā. It is also a masterpiece of sculpture. The stone images of Ambikā of the twelfth century A.D. are preserved in the Jaina temple of Bagherā. The three Jaina images of this goddess seated on lion placed in the Jaina temple of Naraina are remarkable from the artistic point of view. One beautiful metal image of Ambikā of the fourteenth century A.D. is in the temple of Lūnakaranajī at Jaipur. It is sitting on a lion holding a child in her arms.

Padmāvatī seems to be associated with Pārśvanātha because very often, she is found along with him. The stone images of Padmāvatī of the twelfth century A.D. are found at Bagherā. One such metal image of 1594 A.D. in the temple of Siramauriyā at Jaipur is holding a child in each of her hands. Above it, there is also the figure of Pārśvanātha. A beautiful stone image of Padmāvatī in the temple of Lūṇakaraṇajī Pāṇḍyā, Jaipur, is in a peaceful posture holding four objects in the four hands.

Besides, the images of other female deities are found at several places in Rajasthan. There is a stone image of Bramhāṇi in the Jaina temple of Mahāvīra at Bagherā. A deity sitting on a bufialo is preserved in the Jaina temple of Lūṇakaraṇaji Paṇḍyā at Jaipur. It holds a sword, a bow, an arrow and an axe in her four left hands and Jankha, chakra and two other objects in her four right hands. This is evidently the influence of Tantrism and as such the deity is clearly the form of Mahishāguramardinī.

Statues of the mothers of the Tirthankaras are also found in Rajasthan. An image of Marudevi in the temple of Rishabha was erected in 1497 A.D. during the reign of Devakarana at Jaisalmer. Another such image of Marudevi seated on an elephant in the temple of Rishabhadeva is found at Dhüleva in Udaipur.

Among the male deities besides the Tirthańkaras, the Yakshas are important. An image of a male deity of the eighteenth century A.D. riding a pigeon and holding an axe in the left hand and a garland in the right hand is found in the Jaina temple of Lūṇakaraṇaji Pāṇdyā at Jaipur. There are bangles in his arms and ear-rings in his ears. On the head, there is a coronet. Another

male deity riding an elephant with folded hands of the same period is also found in the above temple. These images are evidently Yakshas.

STATUES OF ĀCHĀRYAS: Not only the pādukās but even the statues of the famous Āchāryas are seen in the Jaina temples, and they are worshipped by the devotees. The statues of the Āchāryas Jinaratnasūri, Jinavardhanasūri and Dronāchārya of 1429 A.D. and Jinarājasūri and Jinavardhanasūri of 1412 A.D. are found at Delavādā in Mewar. One such image of Jinakuśalasūri of the fourteenth century A.D. is found at Mālapurā in Jaipur division. The image of Vijayasāgarasūri of 1699 A.D. is noticed at Dhuleva in Udaipur state. Such images of the Āchāryas are also found in the temple of Ābū. There is nothing artistic about these statues, and they do not resemble the person they claim to represent.

IMAGES OF THE DONORS AND PATEONS: The images of the goddesses as also of the Achāryas were used for worship, but those of the donors were meant only to preserve their memory. In the temple of Adinārha at Ābū, there is a figure of Vimala riding a horse. On each of the ten statues of elephants was seated a figure in a rich haudā behind the driver. They represented Vimala and his family in procession to the temple. But unfortunately, the figures have been destroyed by the Muslim invaders. The images of Vastupāla and Tejapāla, the builders of the temple, are also found in Lūņavasahi temple.

HINDU GODS AND GODDESSES: Even the images of Hindu gods and goddesses find place in Jaina temples. This shows the liberality and the spirit of toleration and catholicity of Jainism. The Hindu gods such as Rāma, Krishṇa, Hanūmān, Siva, Gaṇeśa and Bhaintū and the goddesses like Strā, Lakshmī, Durgā etc. were adopted by the Jainas and respected by them as subordinate or secondary deities. This is the reason why Jainism has survived and continued to be popular among the non-Jainas.

INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF IMAGES: The installation ceremony of images is always a grand and impressive function among the Jainas. People from different places assemble at the place where it is performed. The ceremony is performed by a rich person through some Achārya, and it lasts for about five or six days. Often it is one image that is installed, but sometimes many images are consecrated simultaneously by the same

Acharya and donor; and then, they are distributed to several centres. This is done to curtail unnecessary expenses and also to make the ceremony magnificient and festive.

It is generally seen that in case of the early images, the inscription which is found on the pedestal is a short one. It simply mentions the names of the donor and the Āchāryas through whom it is consecrated. But on most of the images of the later times, we find a long genealogy of the Āchāryas and the donors mentioning their castes and Gotras. Such long inscriptions on the images are very useful in reconstructing the political, social and religious history of the region.

3. JAINA PLASTIC ART

The question of Jaina plastic art in very early times does not arise at all because no Jaina temples of very early date are in existence. Even those which have survived underwent repairs from time to time. It is for this reason that just a few specimens only are found belonging to the early period. These may be classified into three heads. (1) Decorations, (2) Decorative statues, (3) Narrative illustrations.

- (1) DECORATIONS: The decorative patterns include scrolls, figures of animals, flowers, trees and intertwined human figures. These patterns were generally used for the ornamentation of doors, pillars and ceilings. In the temple of Vimala Vasahī at Abu, the Kalparriksha has been beautifully carved on the ceiling of the mandapa. This aspect of Jaina art has no peculiarity of its own, and it is found elsewhere too.
- (2) DECORATIVE STATUES: Statues serving as decorative purposes are also found in Rajasthan. At Ghaṭiyāla in Marwar, there is a niche, the left half of which is engraved with an inscription and the right sculptured into the figure of a goddess seated on a lion. The carving of this figure is fine and undoubtedly old. It is after this goddess that the niche is named Mātajī kī sāla. The goddess is not a Hindu but a Jaina deity as the inscription tells us that the temple was dedicated to a Jina. This figure is most probably Ambikā.¹ The statue seems to be only decorative, and it is not worshipped.

^{1.} PRAS., wo., 1906-07, p. 34.

At Varman in Sirohi state, in the temple of Mahāvīra, there is a beautifully sculptured image of Kubera quite similar to the one we generally find in Brahamanical temples. The pillared corridor to the east of Sabbāmanḍapa of this temple also contains a sculptured ceiling panel. The central figure of this slab is Gajalakshmī with elephants pouring water on her.¹

At Ghāṇerāv in Marwar, the most interesting sculpture is the group of figures which decorate the plinth of the open porch of the shrine. In the centre are busts each with long ear-lobes and heavy ear-rings. In front of the busts is a large water pot supported by two dwarfs.² These busts probably represent the individuals who built the temple. But this is a mere guess.

In the corridor behind the main shrine of the Mahāvira temple at Ajhāri in Shirohi state, there is a broken sculpture representing the Nandīṣi-waradvīpa.* The sculptures of Nandīṣi-waradvīpa are also found in Jaina temples at Rupanagar,4 near Kishangarh and at Nāṇās in Bali district. All these are decorative motifs.

In the Chaturmukha temple at Ranpur, there is a sculpture of Sammedaśikhara in the large subsidiary shrine towards the north-west of the main shrine. Just opposite to it, there is another, an Aṣṭāpada, but left in an unfinished condition. Just outside the former but on its proper right is a slab representing the sacred hills of Girnar and Sarruñjaya. In the nalamandapa on the north stands a sculpture of Sahasrakūṭa.⁶

The temple of Padmāvatī at Nāgdā contains an interesting sculpture in the sanctum. There is a figure of Jina, having a halo behind, in an attitude of meditation in the centre of the slab. Two canonical capped chaurī bearers, one on each side with gandbarvar and devas are represented as flying in air. The sides and the top are divided into a number of small niches with the remaining Tīrthańkaras. To the right of the central figure is Indra seated on an elephant and to its left is the goddess Ambikā. The front part of the slab under the central figure is divided into three parts. The side ones are occupied by lions and the middle contains a chakra supported by two deer. This sculpture is clearly a decorative piece on which much art and skill

PRAS., wc., 1916-17, p. 71.
 Ibid., 1907-08, p. 59.
 Ibid., 1907-08, p. 49.
 Ibid., 1907-08, p. 49.

ASI An Report, 1907-08, p. 213.

PRAS., wc., 1904-05, p. 61.

have been lavished for achieving a beautiful effect. It is not meant for worship.

In the Jaina temple of Kheda, two Jaina sculptures have been fixed on the wall, each representing a Tirthankara with Chauri bearers. One of these is seated on a lion throne and the other on a lotus throne with the elephants standing on the two full blown lotuses.¹

In an old Jaina temple of eighth century A.D. at Chātsu, there is one sculpture built into the left jam of the door of the old shrine. It represents two antique looking human figures standing under a double topped umbrella. Besides a Jaina Chatrī built of beautiful white marble pillars is also found. The effigies carved on it are representations of the various pontiffs of the Digambara Sect.

There is a temple of Mahāvīra at Sevadī in Marwar. The figures on the outside walls of the sanctum are not profuse but are artistically carved and cannot be later than the tenth century A.D. On the south, there are three figures. The first is a Naga female with ear lobes perforated and bearing earrings. She holds a shield in the left hand, and there is a broken scimitar in the right hand. Her head is canopied with the hood of the snake coils of which come down to her left foot. The second figure, wearing a crown, a necklace and a waist band, stands in the attitude of Kayotsarga in a niche decorated with side plasters. The tops of it are surmounted by two seated Jinas. The third figure is of the naked Kshetrapāla holding the club in the one hand and snake in the upraised hand. On the North side also, there are three figures. The central figure is in a niche exactly in the same position as in the south. Of the remaining two, one is a female figure holding the discus in the right hand while the left hand is broken off. Under her right foot is her vāhana, a man. Her ears are perforated and she wears earrings. The other figure is of the standing Bramha holding a rosary in the right hand, while in the left hand, there is a Kamandalu. He has a beard and wears Khadavas or wooden sandals. In the closed hall, there is a figure which appears to be of some Jaina teacher. He is sitting on a throne with his right foot on a small stool. He is being shampooed apparently by his disciple who has a beard. There is a pothi stand behind him and another disciple is spreading a scroll of paper. The third disciple is holding

PRAS., wc., 1911-12, p. 56.

his ughaor besom. There are a couch and a water jug before him. The besom is also noticed on the back of the teacher's left shoulder. A band of cloth has been also used to support him in his posture. There is a manuscript in his left hand, while his right hand is half open near his chest. His neck is adorned by a close fitting tight necklace. Besides, there is also the figure of Sarasvatī in the front corridor.

The beautiful figures of the deities such as Sarasvatī and Ambikā are found carved in the Jaina temples of Abu. There is a beautiful figure of the goddess Sarasvatī showing the four symbols such as "pīā, book, rosary and the lotus in her four hands preserved in an architrave panel sculpture in the famous Vimala Vasahī temple. In this same temple, a beautiful sculpture preserving a sixteen atmed form of the great goddess of learning on the ceiling is noticed. She is attended by a dancing male figure on each side. The goddess sits in bbadrāsana showing the lotus, conch, and the varada in the right hands and the lotus, the book and the kamandalū in the three left ones. All other hands along with the symbols are mutilated beyond recognition. The figure of the swan can however be seen on the pedestal. On a pillar in the temple built by Tejapāla, there is a figure of Sarasvatī seated in bbadrāsana and showing the same symbols with the difference that the book in the left hand is replaced by a kamandalū.

There is a figure of twenty armed Ambikā preserved on the ceiling of famous temple of Vimalašāha. Ambikā in lalitātana is sitting on the lion. She shows the khadga, the lakti, the snake, the mace, the shield, the axe, the kamandalā, the abbaya and the varada mukrāt. The rest of the symbols cannot be identified, because they are partly or wholly broken. The goddess wears a crown, carrings, necklaces, garland, mskhalā, bracelets, anklets, lower garment and a scarf.

(3) NARRATIVE ILLUSTRATIONS: The episodes and narrations beautifully engraved decorate many Jaina temples. At Kolar in Sirohi state, there is the sculptured makaraṇā lintel on the central bay of the pillared corridor adjoining the sabhāmaṇḍapa on the side of the entrance door of the temple. On this architrave is carved in high relief the pictoriol representation of a legend probably from the life of a Jaina Tirthańkara. On the left corner of the sculpture is represented a queen reclining on a canopied couch. Then follow in succession from left to right the following fourteen objects

elephant, bull, horse, an unintelligible symbol, the Sun and Moon, Kuśa, Kalaśa, walled town, river, temple, Sahasralinga and lastly ratha. The connection between these fourteen objects and the sleeping queen is elucidated by the following lines in Nāgarī characters of the twelfth century engraved in the left corner of the sculpture 'Mahārājnī Uśalādevī Chaturadaśa Svapnāni paśyatī' which means Mahārāņi Uśalādevī sees fourteen dreams.

At Kālandarī in Sirohi state, there is placed a sculptured panel representing in high relief a worshipper in the act of feeding a pigeon in the main shrine of the Jaina temple of Mahāvīra. It seems probably a representation of a man in charitabe pose expressing kindness.

In the Jaina temples of Abu, the ceiling and the surfaces are sculptured with innumerable incidents from the various epics such as the Rāmāyana, the Mahābhārata etc. The scene of the birth of Krishna and his various activities have been skilfully sculptured. In the sculptures, the incidents are drawn from the stories in the Satrahjayamāhātmya as shown by the names of heroes and other persons being engraved beneath them. In the rahgamaydapa of the temple of Vimala, the scenes of the battle between Bharata and Bāhubali and the martiage party of Neminātha have been artistically sculptured. The incidents in the previous lives of the Tirthankaras have been excellently illustrated by the sculptures in the temple of Abu. There are numerous sculptured panels of this type in the Jaina temples all over Rajasthan.

4. JAINA PAINTING

Rajasthan and Gujarat once abounded in paintings; but time, weather, the destructibility of the material used and the fanaticism of the Muslims are responsible for the disappearance of a large portion of them. However, a considerable number of paintings have escaped destruction. The credit of preservation of these articles goes to the Sāstrabhaṇḍāras of the Jainas.

FOUNDATION OF THE WESTERN SCHOOL SRINGADHARA: Stingadhara, an artist from Marwar, laid the foundation of the Western school in the seventh century A.D. Its traditions travelled even to Nepal and Kashmir. According to the testimony of Taranatha, the earlier school of Nepal resembled the Western old school. In Kashmir also, there were its followers.¹ No painting of so early times from Marwar or Western India has survived so that its distinguishing features could be determined. But if the sculpture is the index of the art conventions of those times, the angularity in the treatment of human figures may be taken as the distinguishing feature of the Western Indian art at that time.

The Jaina miniatures may be divided into four classes on the basis of the material: (1) The illustrated palm manuscripts executed from the thirteenth century to the fifteenth century A.D. (2) Jaina miniatures in the paper period. (3) Cloth paintings. (4) Wooden covers.

THE ILLUSTRATED PALM-LEAF MANUSCRIPTS: There are several palm-leaf manuscripts found in the Sastra bhandaras of Rajasthan. Some of them are illustrated and give us some ideas of Jaina paintings in early times. There are six chitrapattikās2 in which the nine previous lives of Neminātha and Rajamati have been depicted. In the first picture, the two previous lives of Neminatha namely Dhana and Dhanavati and Saudharma have been represented. As Saudharma has connection with the heaven, the devavimanas have also been depicted. In the second picture, the next three previous lives of Chitragati and Vijavavega, Māhendrā Devaloka and the king Aparājita and his queen Pritimati have been illustrated. In the third picture, the sixth, seventh and eighth bhavas of heaven, Sankharāja and Yasomati and Aparājita have been well represented. In the fourth chitrapattika, the pregnant wife of the king Samudravijaya and four of the fourteen dreams she saw, have been depicted. The fifth chitrapattika contains the picture of the remaining dreams and birth of Neminatha. The sixth picture is concerned with the incidents from his birth ceremony to his initiation. At the time of birth, Harinega carries Bhagavan on mountain Meru where the birth ceremony is celebrated. While going for the marriage, Neminatha feels moved at the sight of the animals to be killed for the marriage feast. He than at once turns a monk. Indra is standing with the clothes for Neminatha.

Nineteen Chitrapaṭtikās,⁹ which illustrate the incidents of the life of Pārśvanātha, are, namely, (1) Pregnancy of his mother Vāmā who sees the fourteen dreams, (2) Inquiry about their result, (3) Birth of Pārśvanātha,

^{1.} IA., IV, p. 102. 2. Jaisalamerani Chitra Samriddhi, pictures from 4 to 9.

^{3.} Jaisalamerant Chitra Samriddhi, pictures from 11 to 29.

(4) Carrying of Pārśva by Harinega on mountain Meru, (5) Birth ceremony of Pārśva on Meru, (7) Lagna of Bhagavān, (8) Marriage of Pārśva, (9) Pārśva in the inner apartment, (10) Pārśva on horse back going to an ascetic, (11) five kinds of fire penances (Pañchāgni Tapaygā) of Kamatha and the restoration of the serpent, (12) Sāmvatsarikadāna, (13) Starting after giving up the worldly life, (14) Rooting out the hair for the initiation and the standing of Devadūshya with clothes, (15) A pupil with a book of palm-leaves studying with the teachet, (16) Jalopasarga of Kamatha on Bhagavān Pārśva, (17 & 18) Enlightenment of Pārśva and his speech to the people on the eve of Samayasarana, and (10) Nitvāna of Pārśva.

There are three chitrapastikās¹ concerning the life of Mahāvīra. In the first picture, Triśalā sees the fourteen dreams and speaks about them to Siddhārtha. The expectation of Triśalā about the pregnancy and the birth of Mahāvīra are depicted in the second picture. In the third document, the carrying of Mahāvīra by Harinega on mount Meru for the purpose of performing the birth ceremony is shown.

There are also other chitrapattikās of this period which depict the scenes of natural beauties like a tank full of water, lotus flowers growing in it, swans and crocodiles in it and the youthful girls playing with the water of the tank. There is also the scene of the forest in which the rhinocero and the jaraf have been depicted. One document is decorated with beautiful flowers. Another is decorated with the symbol of the Sun.²

Besides, other copies of the illustrated manuscripts are also known. The museum of the Fine Arts, Boston, possesses the Śrāvakapratikramanachūrni which has come down from a place near Udaipur.§ It contains six pictures and is dated 1260 A.D. There is also an illustrated copy of the Kalpaiūra in the collection of Phula Chanda of Phalodhis The illustrated copies of the Kalpaiūtra and the Kālaka-Kathā of the fourteenth century A.D. got from Marwar are in the collection of Sārābhāi Nawāb.§

After an examination of the miniatures of the first group, it seems that the subject of painting was confined to the representation of the Tirthankaras, gods, goddesses and monks. In these miniatures, the Western

Juisalamerani Chitra Samriddhi, from 30 to 32.
 Ibid., pictures from 1 to 3.

^{3.} NORMAN BROWN, Story of Kālaka, p. 18. 4. Pavitrakalpasūtra (Nivedana, p. 4).

^{5.} Ibid., p. 17.

Indian technique has crystalized itself. The drawing is angular, the physical peculiarities such as the pointed nose, chin and the eyes protruding in space appear; and there is no attempt at modelling in colours.

The Western Indian art is fundamentally linear and, therefore, these miniatures of the first group lack depth and appear flat. In certain cases crude modelling is also noticed by thickening the outline of certain parts of the figure or by the application of slight washes. The miniatures have a restricted colour scheme consisting of vermillion, yellow blue, white and rarely green. The back ground is generally bricked close to vermillion.

MINIATURES IN THE PAPER PERIOD: The use of the paper as a writing and painting meterial started on a considerable scale from about the fourteenth century A.D. As a result of it, technical process in painting also underwent changes. Large spaces also meant the bigger composition and greater representation of details. Finer border decorations also began to be introduced in the paper period. There came a radical change in the choice of colours. Generally, gold took the place of yellow. Gold and silver inks were used for writing. Ultramarine blue began to be used for covering the entire ground

Various illustrated copies of manuscripts are also known. There is an illustrated copy of Kālakakathā of v.s. 1473 in the collection of Phūlachanda of Phalodhi. Another illustrated copy of the Kalpasūtra written in v.s. 1525 at Yavanapura in Rajasthan in golden ink is in the possession of Muni Hansa Vijaya of Baroda. It has eight beautiful pictures and 74 borders.

In the Sāstrabhaṇdāra of Terāpanthīs at Jaipur, there is an illustrated copy of the Adipwāṇa of the great poet Pushpadanta in Apaphramsa, written in 1540 A.D. The artist Harinātha was of a Kāyastha community. There are 344 pages having about 515 pictures. On one side of the leaf, a brief explanation of the picture is given in order to make it intelligible.

The important incidents such as the prayer of Srenika to Mahāvīra, seeing of sixteen dreams by the mother of Tirthańkara Ādinātha and the birth of Ādinātha, dance of Indras and aptarāt, the marriage of Ādinātha, his coronation ceremony, his instructions to his daughters, his penances, his enlightenment, the campaign of Bhartat, the duel between Bharata and Bhāhubali, the fight between Megheśvara and Arkakīrti and the marriage of Sulochanā, the daughter of Arkakīrti with Megheśvara have been realistically

and beautifully illustrated. Besides, these pictures throw considerable light on the social and cultural condition of the medieval period of Indian history.

The paintings do not indicate that Hindu society in Rajasthan had been influenced much by the impact of the Muslim culture. The purala system had not come into existence. Women wore coloured and printed afts. There were various ways of wearing it. Some women are shown wearing close fitted trousers also. They moved freely in the society. They have been depicted participating along with men in social activities such as music, dance and worship. The main musical instruments were the drum, trumpets and jūzlaras. The various poses of dancing also have been depicted. Men wore the dbotis in different ways. The dupatā was thrown on the back. Some men have been illustrated wearing long coats and close fitted trousers. On the head, the pagadī is invariably there. That women used to wear many ornaments is clear from the pictures. The ornaments of women were of various types such as necklaces, earrings, boralās, bangles and chudīs.

The march of armies and battles have been beautifully and realistically displayed. The army consisted of cavalry, infantry, elephants and chariots. The chief weapons used in battles were swords, bows, arrows etc. The soldier is shown wearing a hat on the head and a long coat and trousers. This was not a Muslim custom. It had come down from the time of the Sakas and the Hūpas.

The scenes of natural beautics have been illustrated with great success. Kailāsa mountain and other hills and flowing water of the Ganges have been described. Irishes, tortoises and other animals are exhibited in the water of the river. Pictures of green plants and trees are drawn beautifully.

On the religious side, scenes of Devaloka, Indrasabhā and dancing of the apunāt have been ostentatiously shown. The dreadful and horrible scenes of the hell have also been illustrated. There are the pictures of the temples, shrines and the images of the Tirthankaras. Monks and nuns have been noticed preaching the doctrines of Jainism.

The Yaiodharacharitra remained a popular book among the Jainas. Its several illustrated copies have been discovered. In the Sästrabhandära of Pt. Lünakarana Pāṇḍyā at Jaipur, the illustrated manuscript of Yaiodharacharitra of 1731 A.D. is noteworthy. It contains about 35 pictures which are all artistic and beautiful. Another illustrated copy of the Yasodharacharitra,

which contains 27 pictures, is available in the Jaina temple of Pățodi at Jaipur. It was originally prepared in 1706 A.D. at Răjanagara in Ahmedabad. Three illustrated copies of this manuscript have been also preserved at Mojamābād in Jaipur district. The first containing 65 pictures is incomplete. The second copy of 74 pictures is prepared during the reign of Mahārājā Mānasimha of Amber. The third copy was made by Sāha Sāntava for presentation to Āchārya Kshamāchandra during the reign of Mahārājā Mānasimha in 1361 A.D. It possesses 75 pictures. An illustrated copy of this manuscript containing 73 pictures is found in Srī Ailaka Pannālāla Digambara Jaina Sarasvatī Bhavana of Beawar. Originally it was written at Rājapura in Ahmedabad in 1712 A.D.

These pictures of the various illustrated copies of Yalodharacharitra throw a flood of light on the religious and social conditions of that period. There are the portraits of monks and nuns. Monks are naked but nuns are wearing white tarits. The monks going in procession have been also illustrated. Their devotees are shown presenting alms to them. The practice of the slaughter of animals before the temple of Devi has been described. A royal procession with soldiers and officials has been also depicted. The merry making of the king in the inner apartment has been well spread out. The pictures of the various animals such as snakes, dogs, peacocks, fishes, goats and crocodiles have been realistically executed. Trees with leaves and branches have been beautifully represented.

The three copies of the manuscripts namely the Rishimandalapūjā, Ashtāhnikājayamālā and Nirvānamandalapujā in covers artistically designed and embroidered have been found in a Jaina temple at Jaipur. These are remarkable for the border decorations representing various kinds of floral designs, geometrical patterns and lozenzes. Beautiful illustrations of carpets have been also given.

There is a copy of the Saingrabinītūtra of the eighteenth century A.D. in Johanera Jaina temple of Jaipur. This manuscript is bound by a cloth membroidered with lead beads illustrating the 16 objects of the dream seen by the mother of the Tirthankara. It contains nineteen beautiful pictures. In the first picture, the patala of the Sparga and the pimānas in them have been depicted. In the second figure, the universe has been compared to Lokapurusha. There is a Nandiśvaradvipa in the third picture. In the fourth plate, there are

the pictures of the Tirthankaras. The seven Grahas have been depicted in the fifth picture. In the sixth picture, the dreadful horrors of the hell have been shown. In the seventh plate, the army of the Indra has been illustrated. In the eighth picture, there are the eight different figures of the Yakshas. Besides the pictorial stories of the Jambūdvīpa, Lavaṇasamudra, Indrasabhā, birth ceremony of Indra, the condition of man at the time of intense thirst, hunger and Viraha and the Vimānas of heaven have been beautifully unfolded. The Shailatjās have been compared with the mango tree. According to the Jaina scriptures, there are the six complexions of the worldly soul as Kṛishṇa, Nīla, Kāpota, Padma, Sukla and Pīta. The Kṛishṇa leśyā has been explained by felling down the whole mango tree for eating mangoes, while the Suklaleśyā has been illustrated by eating only the fallen mangoes of the tree.

There is also an illustrated copy of the manuscript namely Trailokya-nāmadī paka of the eighteenth century A.D. found in a Jaina temple at Jaipur. It contains about ten pictures. In the first picture, Madhyaloka has been illustrated from which Trasajīvas do not extricate themselves. In the second picture, there is a shrine between Mānastambha and Dhvajā. Besides, there are the pictures such as the Sabhāmaṇḍapa, Jambūdvīpa, Kuṇḍaladvīpa, Nandīśvaradvīpa with the four mountains in the four directions, Mānushottaragiri in Pushkaradvīpa and Sumeruparvata with the forests situated in Videha. Jambūdviksha grown in Jambūdvīpa and the Tīrthankara seated on the lotus flower have been shown.

Besides, there are other illustrated manuscripts relating to magical beliefs in the temple of Lūpakaranaji Pāṇdyā. The pictures of Jvālāmālinī, Bhairava, Padmāvati and Mahāmṛityuñjayayantra etc. are noteworthy. Some portraits are of Padmaprabha, Kālikādevī, Narasinhāvatāra, Padmāvati and Ganeśa on the papers of about two hundred years or three hundred years old. Among them, there are pictures of the yantras like Kalikuṇḍapārśvayantra, Sūryapratāpayantra, Tijāpauhūtayantra, Vajrapañjarayantra, Chatuḥshashṭiyoginŋyantra etc. Such pictures are also available in Śri Ailaka Pannālāla Digambara Jaina Sarasvatī Bhavana at Beawat and Jhālrapatan.

There are three illustrated copies of manuscripts such as Gommasjaara of 1677 A.D., Kalakatharjakatha and G713 in the Sästrabhandāra of Nagaur. An illustrated copy of the Trilokasāra of the eighteenth century A.D. is found in the Sästrabhandāra of Mahāvirajī. The beautifully illustrated copy of the

Bhaktāmarastotra of the nineteenth century A.D. is preserved in the Sastrabhandāra of Badāmandira at Jaipur.

VIJSAPTIFATRAS: These are the letters of invitation sent to the Jaina Achāryas requesting them to stay with a Jaina Samgha or community of a particular locality during the next Chāturmāsa. These letters were also meant to atone for the acts of commission and omission of the members of a Samgha and to convey their good wishes for the whole humanity. They usually give in a pictorial form the description of the locality from which they are sent. The pictures are also useful for the history of the art of painting. They also throw a great deal of light on the social and religious conditions.

One such letter was issued from Sirohi to Patan in North Gujarat in 1725 A.D. to invite Muni Vijayakshamā Sūri.1 It is about 24 feet and 4 inches in length and 10 inches in breadth. The pictures cover a space of some 15 feet and 8 inches. Such a letter was also issued from Jodhpur in 1791 A.D. to the Srīpūjya Vijayajinendra who was staying at Dabhoi in Gujarat.2 It is 25 feet and 51 inches long and 82 inches wide. Vijayasimha is mentioned as the ruler of Jodhpur in it. There is another illustrated Vijñaptipatra measuring about 36 feet and 6 inches by 11 inches sent from Jodhpur in 1835 A.D. to Vijavadevasūri who was residing at Surat.8 Another letter was issued from Udaipur in the time of Bhīmasimha who ruled from 1767 A.D. to 1828 A.D. In 1744 A.D. during the reign of Mahārājā Jorāvarasimha, a Vijnaptipatra was issued from Bikaner to Acharya Jinabhaktasuri staying at Radhanapura. It is 9 feet and 7 inches in length and 9 inches in breadth.5. The Vijnaptipatra prepared at Jaipur is not dated, but it belongs to about v.s. 1930. It was sent from Ajimaganja to Muni Ratnavijaya at Gwalior. It is beautiful from an artistic point of view. It is 19 feet in length and 114 inches in breadth. Buildings, markets, streets, forts and cross-roads of Jaipur have been depicted in it.6 Similar invitation letter was sent from Bikaner in v.s. 1898 to Jinasaubhāgyasūri of Kharatara Gachchha. It is 97 feet by 11 inches. It gives a plan of the situation of markets, forts and important buildings of Bikaner in that year.7

In the pictures of the Vijñaptipatras, we generally find the representation of mangalakalasa, the female musicians playing on the musical

^{1.} Ancient Vijnaptipatras, p. 45. 2. Ibid., p. 48. 3. Ibid., p. 57. 4. Ibid. 5. RB., III, No. 3-4. 6. Avantikā, I, p. 57. 7. RB., I, p. 28.

instruments, the sleeping mother of a Tirthankara and seeing the fourteen dreams. Besides, there is generally the description of the locality in the pictorial form such as Jaina temples, portraits of monks, nuns and kings, the monk imparting instructions to laymen in the Jaina temples, panels of bazar scene with various shops on its sides, banias, tailors, physicians in their shops and the fortifications of the town. The Brahmanical temples of Vishnu and Siva are also pictured.

(3) PAINTINGS ON CLOTH: From the ancient literature, it is clear that the cloth was used for paintings in ancient India. But we do not find such a type of paintings before the fourteenth century A.D. This may be due to the perishable nature of the cloth and the wanton destruction of the artistic pieces caused by the Muslims.

The earliest in date may be the Chintāmani Yantra measuring 19½ inches in length and 17½ inches in breadth. It is in Nāḥaṭā Kalā Bhavana at Bikaner. There is a portrait of Tāraṇaprabhāchārya drawn on a cloth. It was perhaps painted during his life time. In it, Pārśvanātha has been shown on simhātama placed within the concentric magical circles and attended by Dharaṇendra and Padmāvatī, the Chaurī bearers. On the top left is Pārśva Yaksha and on the top right, is the goddess Vairotyā. In between these two are a couple of Gandharvas. On the lower right and the left are Tāraṇaprabhāchārṇa with two disciples and two more disciples respectively. There are the two Chaurī bearers outside the circle.

We find artistic pieces on cloth of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries representing the scenes of Nandiśvaradvipa, Jambūdvipa, Samavasarana and the places of the pilgrimage such a Satruñjaya, Sammedśikhara etc. At these places of pilgrimage, temples have been shown; and in their sanctums are placed the images of the Tirthañkaras attended by a host of gods and goddesses, musicians and Caurl bearers etc. Pilgrims have been shown ascending the hill, resting, dancing, worshipping or hearing religious discourses of their preceptors.

(4) PAINTED WOODEN COVERS: Wooden covers were also used for painting in the past but only a few have survived the ravages of time. About ten or twelve such wooden covers of books have been discovered in the tamous hānahānahāras at Jaisahmer. But only two of them are of special importance and deserve some description.

The oldest cover1 of them is 26 inches in length and 3 inches in breadth. Some details have been worn out from one corner of it. In the centre of the cover is a Jaina temple with a Jaina image. In the right compartment, there are two worshippers standing with folded hands; and the two female dancers are bending their bodies in various ways. In the left compartment, there are three worshippers standing with folded hands and a Kinnar is flying in the sky at the top. On the sides of these compartments are the rosettes framed by decorative floral hands. Then there are represented the scenes of the discussion hall of Jinadattasüri. On the left side, there seems to be Jinadattasuri clad in a white robe seated on the chair known to us from the inscription. Before him is seated a Jaina monk whom the inscription calls Jinarakshita. Two laymen on the cushions are hearing the discourse of the Acharya. Behind Jinadatta, there are shown a layman and two women. In front of the Muni is placed Sthapanacharya inscribed with the word Mahavira. In the discussion hall on the right the Acharva is noticed sitting in the same pose discussing with Srī Gunachandrāchārya. Behind him are seated a Jaina monk and a layman.

From a close examination, one can conclude that the cover perhaps belonged to some personal palm-leaf manuscript of Achārya Jinadatta presented to him by some rich disciple. It is possible that men and women represented on the cover were the members of the family of a layman who presented the manuscripts.

"This painted wooden cover is of great importance as it is the earliest of its kind, and its painting forms a connecting link as it were between the later paintings at Ellora and the full fledged Western Indian School. In the early palm leaf miniatures, the poses of the figures are restricted; but from this panel, it is evident that the artists were quite capable of depicting the intricate dance poses."²

Another wooden cover illustrates the historical incident of the defeat of Kumudachandra by Devasuri in the religious discussion in the royal court of Siddharāja Jayasinha in 1124 A.D. It is quite possible that this painted wooden cover was prepared within four or five years of the great

^{1.} Bhāratīya Vidyā, III, pp. 233-235.

^{2.} Jaina Miniature Paintings from Western India, p. 58.

discussion when the incidents were still fresh in memory. If this estimation is correct, the date of the painted cover should fall near about 1130 A.D.1

On the obverse of the cover, there is a temple at Aśapalli. In it, there is a preaching hall. Devasūri is seen sitting on a high backed stool. Behind him is a boy disciple. In front of him lies the Sthapanacharya. He seems to be explaining some difficult problems to his disciple Manikya. Four laymen sitting on the floor are watching this trend of discussion in order to convey it to their teacher Kumudachandra. They seem to be of the Digambara sect. In the next compartment, Kumudachandra is seen seated on a high backed stool holding the peacock tail whisk with his one disciple on the back and the another in front of him. In the next compartment, there is Devasuri with his two disciples and two laymen. The messenger came from Kumudachandra challenging him for discussion. In the next compartment, Kumudachandra is noticed sitting on the floor with the laymen. An old nun has been shown roughly handled by his follower for her act of sacrilege. In the next compartment, the old nun is seen complaining to Devasuri about the treatment meted out to her by a follower of her adversary. After that, Kumudachandra hears the message brought by his messenger from Devasüri. Last compartment is a market place where a woman is selling ghee to a merchant.

On the reverse, both the Achāryas are seen starting with their followers from Ašāpalli to Patan. On the left side is depicted the march of Devasūri for whose successful ending the Svetāmbara laymen had arranged the good omens. On the right side, the march of Kumudachandra with his party has been shown with ill omens such as cobra. After that, its immediate results have been shown. Kumudachandra after reaching Patan is making an attempt to meet the queen mother but is stopped from doing so by the keeper.

"This wooden panel is of great interest for we find in this panel for the first time all the distinguishing features of the Western Indian school. It is an art of draughtsmanship and the straight line and angles are preferred. The painted nose and chin are very prominent and the distended chest which is very much exaggerated in later paintings of the Western Indian school appears. The drawings denote that the protuberance of the farther eye has not yet reached that conventional stage when they do not form part of the

^{1.} Bhāratīya Vidyā, III, p. 236. Mr. Sārabhāi Nawad is of opinion that this painted wooden cover was probably copied from the original in the fifteenth century A.D.

face but seem quite detached. Here, in the three quarter profile, part of farther checks, having eyes with a slight tendency to protrude into space is noticeable".1

CHAPTER V

IAINA LITERATURE

Jaina literature occupies a prominent place in Indian literature, and considerable contributions have been made by Jaina scholars to its different branches. As this literature is marked by moral and religious sentiments, it cannot be so-called sectarian. Jaina scholars have written such a type of literature, because they wanted to bring about the moral uplift of the people. Besides, it is also noticed that Jaina saints generally wrote their works in a simple and popular language for the masses.

JAINA LITERATURE VALUABLE FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF PHILOLOGY: The Jaina literature is valuable from the point of view of philology and history as the Jaina scholars have made their contributions at every stage in the growth of Indian literature. Mahāvīra preached his teachings in in Prakrit (Ardhamagadhi), the language of the masses, and this practice was also followed by his successors. When Prakrit assumed the literary form from about the seventh century or a little earlier, Jaina scholars started to adopt Apabhramsa as the medium of their literary works. Most of the surviving Apabhramsa works also belong to the Jaina authors. The provincial languages of India such as Hindī, Gujarātī, Rājasthānī, Marāthī, etc. developed out of Apabhramsa from about the 12th century A.D. or so. A large number of literary works written by Jaina authors in old Hindi are still found preserved in Jaina Sastrabhandaras of Rajasthan and as such, they may throw considerable light on the origin and gradual development of Hindī. The Jainas contributed considerably also to the growth and development of Guiarātī and Rājasthānī languages. Jaina influence is traceable even on Sindhi and Marāthi languages. Most of the Kannada literature belongs to the Jainas. The Jainas also wrote in Tamil and Telugu languages. Besides, the Jainas showed remarkable ability from time to time in writing their several works in Sanskrit which was considered to be the literary language of intellectual aristocrats.

^{1.} Jaina Miniature Paintings from Western India, pp. 61-62.

DIFFICULTY OF KNOWING EXACT JAINA LITERATURE COMPOSED IN RAJASTHAN: The Jaina literature was mostly composed by Jaina Sadhus who wandered constantly from place to place for the dissemination of Dharma and for the uplift of masses. Therefore, the question of their residence does not arise at all. We do not know much about the birth places of a number of Jaina Sadhus and the places where they wrote their works. There are instances in Jaina history that an author was born in Rajasthan but was initiated in Gujarat and moved about and composed all the works in the same province. In the same way, there were so many born in Gujarat but their place of activity was Rajasthan. There are various examples that a work was started in Rajasthan but completed in Gujarat or begun in Gujarat but finished in Rajasthan. Because of the holy places in Rajasthan and Gujarat, the visit of Jaina saints from one province to another was frequent. Besides in early times, the inhabitants of these provinces spoke a common language generally termed Western Rājasthānī. Under these circumstances, it is somehow difficult to give exact information about the literature composed by the Jainas in Rajasthan, because one and the same author composed several works in both the provinces.

In spite of the Jaina Āchāryas being associated with Rajasthan from very ancient times, we do not know where some of the works were written before the eighth century. However from the eighth century onwards, intensive literary activities of the Jainas are noticed. For the systematic understanding of the Jaina literature composed in Rajasthan, we may divide it under five heads. (1) Canonical and Philosophical works; (2) Rich narrative literature; (3) Kāvyas, Mahākāvyas and other poems; (4) Scientific literature; (5) Works on History and Politics.

(1) CANONICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL WORKS

Canonical literature forms the most important branch of Jaina literature and it included eleven Angus, twelve Upāngus, six Chbredasitras, four Mūlasūtras, ten Prakīrmakas, and two other Sūtras, the Anyogadvārasūtra and Nandīsūtra. To these some add Bhadrabāhu's twelve Niryuktis, the Visethāvadyakabhātbya, twenty more Prakīrmakas, the Paryushunakalpa, Jītakalpasitra Srādhajītakalpa, Pāksbikasūtra, Vandittusūtra, Ksbāmanasūtra, Yatijītakalpa and the Ribbibāsita, thus bringing the total number of Śruta-works to eighty

four. This branch of sacred literature was studied at all times and, therefore, several commentaries and subcommentaries were written on it in different languages from time to time. Not only Agamas but philosophical works were also written in order to give a systematic presentation of the fundamental principles of lainism.

Some of the authors, who wrote on Canonical and Philosophical subjects, were Rajasthanis. Haribhadra of Chitor is the most famous author of Jaina literature as regards not only the number of the works he wrote but also the diversity of the subjects, he treated.1 He commented on the Anayogadvārasūtra. Āvasvakasūtra, Dasavaikālikasūtra, Nandīsūtra, Prajnapanāsūtra etc. Besides his commentaries on Agamas, he wrote the Anekāntajayapatākā and Anekāntavādapraveša, in which he not only expounded the Jaina philosophy of Anekānta but also criticized current philosophical systems. The study of Anekāntajavabatākā remained popular even in subsequent periods.2 Among other philosophical works, mention can be made of his Yogabindus and Yogadrishtisamuchchaya. His commentary on the Nyayapravesa of Dignaga. introduced the Jaina world to Buddhist logic. He had also his religious compositions like the Dharmasamgrahanī, Kshetrasamāsatīkā, Pañchavastu, Dharmabindu, Ashtaka, Sodasaka, Panchasaka and Sambodhaprakarana, in some of which, he not merely expounded Jaina principles but threw as well a challenge for all-sided reform, doctrinal as well as social.

Even after Haribhadra, Jaina scriptures were being intensively studied in Rajasthan. Virasena learnt the Shaṭakhandāgama and the Kashāya-prābhrta from Elāchārya at Chitor and after that, he wrote the Dhavalā and the portion of the Jayadhavalā in the south, in the ninth century. § In 858 A.D., Jayasinhasūri composed the Dharmopadelamālārivurana during the reign of the Pratihāra ruler Mihirabhoja at Nāgaur. § Another great literary writer was

^{1.} According to Jaina traditions, he is said to have composed 1400 Prakuranath seems that in this connection Prakurana does not denote as usually a separate systematic treatise but is used in restricted sense. Many of his works have perished due to the ravages of times but still a large number of his works are available. See the list of his works in JSSI, pp. 159-60.

^{2.} SVRSSG., p. 844.

^{3.} Published by Jainadharmaprasāraka Sabhā, Bhāvanagar.

^{4.} It was commented on also by Pšrávadevagani in V. 1169 (Patan Catalogue of MSS. p. 293.)
5. JGPS., p. 90 (Introduction).
6. JSSI., p. 180

Siddharshi who wrote a treatise on the Nyāyāvatāra of Siddhasena and Upadelamātkvinarana of Dharmadīsagani in the tenth century.¹ Harishena, who was originally a resident of Chitor and belonged to the Dhakkada family, migrated to Achalapura where he wrote the Dhammaparikkbā in 987 A.D.³ Jineśvarasūri was not only the reformer but also a scholar who wrote the Pramānalakthana along with a commentary. His other known works are Pakhalaing-prakarana and Shajasthānakaprakarana and commentaries written on Ashipakas of Hatibhadra in 1023 A.D.³ Jinavallabhasūri is the author of several works such as Sūkshmārthasiddbāntavichārasāra, Āgamikavastuvichārasāra, Pindaviinddbi-prakarana, Pauthadhavidhiprakarana, Samphapattaka, Pratikramanasārhārā, Dharmadiksbā, Dharmopadelamālā, Dvādaiakulakarūpaprakarana and Prainottaralataka.⁴

The period from the eleventh to the thirteenth century A.D. may be called the golden age in Jaina literature, because Jaina scholars wrote notable works at this time. Jinadattasūri, who preached Jainism to the chiefs of Rajasthan, is the author of several works such as Kālasvarūpakulaka, Vimsika, Charchari, Samdehadohavali, Suguruparatantrya and Ubadesarasāyana.5 Munichandrasūri, the profound scholar of Jainism, wrote several works and commentaries. He began to write a treatise on the Upadesapada of Haribhadra at Nagaur but finished it at Patan in 1117 A.D.6 The pupil of Munichandrasüri was Vādidevasūri who wrote the Pramānatattvālatikāra along with a commentary of his own, the Syādvādaratnākara.7 Hemachandra, a younger contemporary of Devasuri and guru of Kumārapala, was the celebrated writer who wrote on different branches of learning. He wrote the Pramanamamamamsa with a commentary of his own. His other Philosophical works known to us are Anvayogavyacachchhedikā and Yogasastrāsatīka. Jinapatisūri, who visited the court of Prithvīrāja II the Chauhana ruler of Ajmer, composed the Prabodhyavadasthala and his commentaries on Samghapattaka of Jinavallabha and Panchalingi of Jinesvarasuri are

JSSI., p. 186.

The Age of Imperial Kanauj, p. 210. DB. HIRA LAL JAIN identifies Achalapur with modern Ellichpur in Auracti District. Sri Agarachanda Nähatä thinks it to be modern 'Achalapura' still istuated in Mewar, See RSSG, p. 721.

^{3.} JSSI., p. 208.

Ibid., pp. 231-232.
 JSSI., pp. 233.

^{6.} Ibid., p. 242.

^{7.} Ibid., pp. 248-249.

also known. His learned Srāvaka named Nemichandra Bhaṇdāri of Marukota is the author of Shaibitiataka in Prāknit. Dharmakalpadruma written in Prāknit in 1129 A.D. by Dharmaghoshaiūri, who has a great influence over the Chauhāna ruler Vigraharāja of Sakambharī, is also available. In 1217 A.D. Sarvadevasūri of the Kharataragachha composed the Svarnataptatikāvritti at Jaisalmer. The Upadetamālavritti was composed by Vijayasinhasūri of Chandragachchha in 1246 A.D. 8

Jineśvarasūri became the pattadhara af Jinapatisuri and wrote the Dharmanidhiprakarana. His disciples namely Lakshmitilaka, Abhayatilaka and Sarvarāja also wrote valuable works.[®] A lengthy commentary was written by Lakshmitilaka on the Dharmavidhiprakarana in 1260 A.D. at Jalor. Abhayatilaka prepared a treatise on the Nyāyādinkāra and Sarvarāja, at the request of the nun named Buddhisamriddhi wrote commentaries on the Ganadharatārdhafataka and Pahbadingīprakarana. Vivekāsāgara, the pupil of Jineśvarasuri, also wrote the Samyaktvālanhkāra.[®] In 1316 A.D., Jinakuśalasūri wrote a commentary on the Chaityavandanakulaka of Jinadattasūri at Barmer.[®]

Another reputed scholar of this age is Āśādhara who originally belonged to Mandalgarh in Mewar but left it for Dhara in Malwa on account of Muslim invasions in the thirteenth century. He is the author of more than twenty works,\(^9\) the \(^53\)garadharmampila and \(^Anag\)ara-Dharmampila being the most famous and popular. He also wrote commentaries on them known respectively as \(^1\)pitnadfpik\(^2\) and \(^2\)bhavalenmakakhandrik\(^2\)a. His \(^3\)hullindfiham\(^3\) is a treatise on the \(^3\)raddham\(^3\), a work of \(^5\)iv\(^3\)ray written in \(^3\)r\(^3\)kinit He also wrote a philosophical work named \(^3\)rameyaran\(^3\)kara witten in \(^3\)r\(^3\)kinit is a tot available. He composed the work on Yoga known as the \(^3\)db\(^3\)atarahaty\(^3\). The \(^3\)lindfiham\(^3\)hatarahaty\(^3\)kinit was written by him, but its commentary is not available. He wrote a commentary on \(^3\)bip\(^3\)hatarahaty\(^3\)atarahaty\(^3\)atarahaty\(^3\)hatara

Even after the thirteenth century A.D., literary activities continued among the Jainas. Numerous works were written but most of them were stereotyped, imitative and artificial. They are not spontaneous and natural as

 ^{1.} JSSI, pp. 335-336.
 2. RB III, No. 2.
 3. Ibid.,

 4. RB, III, No. 2.
 5. JSSI, p. 240.
 6. RB., III, No. 2.

 7. JSSI, p. 415.
 8. Ibid., p. 432.
 9. JSSI, pp. 134-136.

they were is early times. Padmanandi, pupil of Bhattaraka Prabhachandra of Mulasamgha, lived in the fourteenth century A.D. and composed the Śravakachārasāroddhāra.1 His pupil Sakalakīrti is a well-known scholar who Wrote Siddhantasaradī paka, Sarachaturvimsatikā, Dharmaprasnottara, Sravakāchara, Subbāshitāvalī and Karmavipāka. The Mulāchārapradīpa was written by him in the temple of Parsyanatha at Badali near Aimer.2 His younger brother and pupil Brahma Jinadasa is the author of Dharmavilasa.8 The Siddhantasarabhāshva, Paramārthopadesa and Tattvaiñānataranginī are the works of Iñanabhūshana, pupil of Bhuvanakirti.4 His disciple named Sumatikirti composed the Karmakāndatīkā and Pañchasamgraha.5 Bhattāraka Subhachandra is a famous scholar of the sixteenth century; and the works, which are known to have been written by him in a period between 1515 A.D. and 1556 A.D. are Karttikeyanuprekshātīkā, Adhyātmataranginī, Ambikākalpa, Angaprațňapti, Samsayavadanavidārana, Svarūbasambodhanavritti, Karmadāhavidhi, Chintāmanibūjā, Abasabdakhandana, Tattvanirnava, Sarvatohhadra, Shadvāda, Palyavratodvābana, Chatustrimsadadbikadvādasasatodvāpanā and commentary on Nityamahoddvota of Āśādhara.6

Padmamandira of the Kharataragachchha wrote a Rishimandalavritti at Jaisalmer in 1496 A.D. A commentary on the Laghujātaka was written by Bhaktilābhagani in 1514 A.D. at Bikanet.\(^3\) At the same place in 1525 A.D., Jinahansasuri composed the Achārāngadīpikr\(^3\). In 1568 A.D. Nayaraṅga wrote the Nidhikandal\(^7\) at Viramapura in Pr\(^3\)krit with his own Sanskrit commentary.\(^3\) The Prainottarabathbītatakarpitti of Punyas\(^3\)gara Mahop\(^3\)dhy\(^3\)ya was probably written in Rajasthan. His pupil Padyar\(^3\)ja in 1587 A.D. composed the Dandakarpitti at Phalodhi.\(^3\)0 Up\(^3\)dhy\(^3\)ya Gunavinaya was the well-known scholar of his time and several works are known to have been written by him in Rajasthan. He made commentaties on Vair\(^3\)gyuslataka, Sanhiodhataptatik\(^3\), Indriyapar\(^3\)yastataka, Rishimandal\(^3\)vachiri etc. He also prepared a work named Vichārasangroba.\(^{11}\)

Samayasundara was the profound scholar of Jainism in medieval times and carried on his literary activities in different parts of Rajasthan. He wrote his works in Sanskrit and Rājasthānī. The Bhāvalatuka was prepared by

11. Ibid.

JGPS., No. 14.

^{2.} Ibid., p. 11 (Int.).

^{3.} Ibid...

JSAI., p. 530.

JGPS., p. 51.

^{6.} JSAI., p. 561.

RB., III, No. 2.
 Ibid.,
 Ibid.,

^{10.} Ibid.,

him in 1589 A.D. Sāmāthārī islatka and Viieshalataka in 1615 A.D. and Viebārasataka in 1617 A.D. are known to have been written at Merta. He composed
the Yatyārādhanā and Kalpasītrakalpalatāvritti in 1628 A.D. at Rinī near Bikaner.
The Rāpakamālāvritti and Asībiakatraya were written at Bikaner respectively
in 1606 A.D. and 1620 A.D. He made the Vrittaratnākaravritti in 1637 A.D.
at Jalor.³ His pupil Harshanandana wrote a commentary on the Rābimandala
in 1648 A.D. and Uttarādhyayana in 1654 A.D. at Bikaner. His Madhyamavyākhyāmapadhati and Shānānāgagāthāgatavritti are also noteworthy works.³

Rājakuśala wrote an explanatory note on Sāktidvātrinhikā at Jalor in 1593 A.D.8 The Vidagdbamkbamaudanayriti was written by Sivachandra in 1612 A.D. at Alwar.4 Upādhyāya Sūrachanda composed the Jainatatīvasāragrantha in 1622 A.D. with Svopajiānvītit at Amarasar near Bikaner.5 In 1627 A.D. Bhāvavijaya wrote a criticism on the Uttarādhyayana at Sirohi.6 In 1666 A.D., Chāritranandana, pupil of Jayaranga, wrote the Uttarādhyayanadīpikā 7 At Venātaṭa Saptapadārīthrīvītiti was made by Bhāvapramoda in 1673 A.D.6 Jinavardhamānasūri wrote the Sāktimuktāvalī in 1682 A.D. at Udaipur.9 A fine criticism was written on the Siddbāntachandrikā by Sadānanda in 1741 A.D.10 Lakshamīvallabha, pupil of Lakshmikīti wrote treatises on the Uttarādhyayana and Kalpasītra.1 Siddbāntachandrikāvijiti is the work of Jīānatilaka.12 Udayachandra and Srīmad Devachanda wrote the Pāṇdityadarpana and Jāānamāhjarī respectively.13

In the 17th century A.D., the poet Rājamalla composed the Laiī suihhitā, Adhyātmakamalamīrtanda and Pnīchārdhyāyī, 16 Meghavijaya is the author of Mīrtikā prasāda, Brahmābodha, Yukti prabodhasasī ka and Dhormamañjushī, 16 Yasasvatasāgara was a philosopher who wrote the Jaina Saptapadārthā in 1700 A.D. at Sanganer during the reign of Mahārāja Jayasimha. His other philosophical works are Pramāpapadārtha, Vādārthamiripama and Syādvādamnkāradī. He wrote an Avachūri on the Vichārashadtrimitikā. He is also the author Bhūvasaptatijīkā and Stavanarama. 10

RB., III, No. 2. See also JSSI., p. 589. 2. Ibid., 3. Ibid.. 4. Arāvali, I. No. 12. 5. NPP , XVII, No. 1. 6. RB., III, No. 2. 7. Ibid.. 8. Ibid., 9. Ibid.. 10. Ibid.. 11. RB., I, No 2. 12. RB., III, No. 2. 13. Ibid., 14. Anekānta, IV, No. 2. JSSI., pp., 651-57. 16. Ibid., p. 656.

Rămavijaya of the Kharataragachchha wrote the Ganamālāprakarana in 1760 A.D., Stutipānībalikā in 1757 A.D., Siddhāntachantikānyitti, Sādhāchāra, Shajatrimlikāvijāpti, Jhānapājā etc. 1 His pupil Kshamākālyāna was a scholar who wrote the Sūktiranāvulīsvopajhavritti in 1790 A.D., Jīvavibāra in 1793 A.D. at Bikaner, Prainottarasūrdhaiataka in 1794 A.D. and Vijhānachandrika in 1802 A.D. at Jaisalmer. 2 The Prainottarasūrdhaiataka is the work of Ummedachandra, pupil of Vāchaka Rāmachandra, written in 1827 A.D. In 1830 A.D., the pupil of Jinahemasūri composed the Siddhantaratnāvalī at Jaipur.

From the sixteenth century A.D., Philosophical and Canonical works began to be written in Hindl when it became the language of the masses. Sumatiklirti wrote the Dharmaparīkshārūsa in 1568 A.D. in the mixed Gujarātl and Rājasthānī.³ In the sixteenth or seventeenth century A.D., Rājamalla wrote a treatise on the Sanskrit work named Samayasūrakalada in Hindl prose.⁴ Paṇḍita Akhayarāja Sīmāla, who lived in Jaipur in the seventeenth century A.D., prepared a commentary on the Vishāpahāratıðra in Hindl prose. His Chatmedalagumasthāmacharbā written in Hindl prose is also available.⁵

Paṇḍita Toḍaramal was the reputed author of Hindī prose in the eighteenth century. He survived only upto the age of thirty; but even during this short period, he made valuable contributions to Jainism. At the age of fifteen, he wrote a letter full of spiritual ideas answering some difficult questions to the Srāvakas of Multan. He prepared commentaries on the hard and obstruse works such as the Gommataāra-Jīvakarmakānda, Lubdhisāra, Kshapanaāra and Trilokasāra. He began to write treatises on the Purushārthasīddhynpāya and Āimānuāsana, but they could not be finished as he was murdered. The commentary on the Purushārthasīdana remained incomplete. His Mokshamārgaprakāla is an original and independent work which shines like a jewel in Indian literature. All these works are in Hindi prose. His son Gumanīrāma was also a scholar who wrote the Satyasnarīpa.

Pandita Sivajilāla hailed from Jaipur and composed the Bhagavatīārādhanā tīkā in 1761 A.D. His Bhāshāvathanikās such as Ratnakuranda, Charchāsangraha, Bodhasāra, Daršanasāra, Adhyūtmataranginī are also available. His

^{1.} RB., III, No. 2. 2. Ibid. 3. Anekānta, XI, p. 312.

^{4.} Vīravānī, I, p. 7. 5. Ibid., III, p. 9. 6. Anekānta, VI, No. 8.

work named Terāpanthakhandana gives us information about the Terāpantha sect found among the Jainas.¹

Pandita Dīpachanda Sāha was a well-known scholar of the eighteenth century. In the beginning, he lived at Sanganer but afterwards settled at Āmber. He is the author of several works such as Anubhavaprakāla, Chidvilāta, Atmāvalokama, Paramātmapurāna, Upadeiaratnumālā, Jhānadarþama, Svarāpānanda and Bhāvadīpikā. Most of these works are found written in Hindi prose.² Khušālachanda Kālā wrote Vachanikās on several Purānas and Charitras. Besides, he wrote a commentary known as Subhāshitāvalī in Hindī on the work of Sakalakītri in 1737 A.D.⁸

Paṇḍita Daulatarāma of Dausā wrote a Vachanikā in Hindi on the Sanskrit work, Paṇṇtaraua of Pāṇḍe Jinadāsa in 1720 A.D.⁴ Paṇḍita Devidāsa Godhā, who was a native of Basuā, near Jaipur, wrote a Vachanikā on Sanskrit work named Sidbāntasārasangraha of Natendrasena in Hindi at Bhilsa in 1787 A.D. He is also the author of Charchārgrantha, Chidnitāsa and Pravachanstāra.⁶ Bhaṭṭāraka Vijayakīrti wrote the Mahādanṭdaka in 1772 A.D.⁶

Jayachandra Chhābarā, author of the nineteenth century, had good command over both Sanskrit and Prākrit. He made translations of several Sanskrit and Prākrit works in Hindi between 1804 A.D. and 1813 A.D. He translated Sarvārībasiddbi of Pūjyapāda, Prameyarathamālā of Āchārya Māṇikyanandi, Dravyasamgraba of Nemichandrāchārya, Svāmīkārttikeyāmuprekshā of Svāmīkumāra. Samayasāramīla of Āchārya Amritachanda, Āpānāmāmānā of Samantabhadra, Ashīpābuļa of Kundakunda, Jānāmārņava of Subhachandra and Bhaktāmaratotra. His son Nandalāla was a scholar like his father. He began to write a treatise on the Milāchāra in Hindi but expired before giving a finishing touch. Later on, it was completed by Rishabhadāsa Nigotya Paṇḍita Mannālāla Sāngāka, the chief disciple of Paṇḍita Jayachanda, translated Chāritrasāra into Hindi. He started the work of Vachanikā on the Rājavārtika but passed away before completing it.

Pārasadāsa Nigotya, a scholar of the nineteenth century A.D., wrote $Vachanik\bar{u}s$ on the $J\bar{n}\bar{u}nas\bar{u}ryodaya$ of $V\bar{a}dichandrasuri$ and $S\bar{u}rachanb\bar{t}s\bar{t}$ of

JSAI., pp. 34-35.
 Anekānta, XIII, Nos. 4, 5 and 7.

^{3.} Vīravānī, I, p. 48. 4. Ibid., II, p. 30. 5. Ibid., VI, p. 86.

^{6.} Hindi Jaina Sāhitva Kā Samkshipta Itihāsa, p. 206.

^{7.} Vīravāņī, I, p. 100. 8. Ibid., 9. Ibid., p. 113.

Sakalakīrti.1 Champārāma of Jaipur composed the Jainachaityastava in 1825 A.D.2 Pandita Sadhāsukha Kāsalīvāla is the author of Tatvārthasūtrabhāshā, Bhagavatīärädhanühhäshä. Ratnakarandasrävakächärabhäshä and Samayasärabhäshä.

Canonical and Philosophical works were also witten in Raiasthani language, Samayasundara, Jinaharsha, Jinasamudrasūri and Jītamala of Terapanthi sect were well-known-authors who wrote several works.3 The most important is Bhagavatīsūtra of Iltamala written in sixty thousand ślokas.

(2) RICH NARRATIVE LITERATURE OF THE JAINISM

Jaina literature is full of popular stories, tales and narratives. Jaina scholars were good story tellers themselves; and, therefore, they have left for us numerous Indian tales which otherwise, would have been lost. These tales are found in Kathās, Kathākośa, epics, Charitra and the Purāṇas.

(i) KATHĀS AND KATHĀNAKAS: Kathās and Kathānakas were written in Prakrit, later in Sanskrit and afterwards in Hindl. They served the purpose of moral and religious instructions and also provided amusement and entertainment. Haribhadrasuri, who lived in the latter half of the eighth century A.D., has written the Samarādityakathā1 (Samarāichehhakahā) and Dbūrtākhyāna in Prākrit.5 Samarādityakathā is a religious tale in nine sections which describe the cycle of nine lives through which the hero Samarādirya and his antagonist have to pass in succession as a result of their actions. Samarāditvakathā is written in a simple and fluent narrative prose rarely interspersed with long descriptive passages in the ornate style of the Sanskrit writers. Dhurtākhyāna, on the other hand, is composed entirely in verse containing 485 gāthās in a simple style. It is a good satire on popular Hinduism.

Haribhadra was followed by his pupil Uddyotanasüri who completed his great Katha, the Kuvalayamala, at Jalor in 778 A.D. in the reign of Vatsarāja Pratihāra. It is a religious tale narrated in Prākrit prose and verse on the pattern of the Sanskrit Champukavya. Some of its passages throw some light on the contemporary history of this region.6 Another great writer of

Hindi Jaina Sāhitya kā Saukshipta Itihāsa, p. 209. Vīravānī, I. p. 285.

^{3.} SVRSSG., p. 714. 4 Ed. Hermann Jacobi. 5. Published in the Singhi Jaina Series. See Vol. 20.

^{6.} JBORS., March, 1928, p. 28.

this time is Siddharshi who completed his Upamitibhavaprapañebākathā at Bhillamala in 905 A.D.1 It is as much a work of philosophy as of poetry and is one of the finest allegories in any language. Written in simple and easily understandable Sanskrit, it must have appealed not only to scholars but also to the masses who cared probably more for the story than the allegory that underlay its structure.

The Bhavishyadattakathā of Dhanapāla was probably written in Rajasthan because the poet was of Dhakkada Vamsa which seems to have originated from Rajasthan.2 Another author of the same name Dhanapala composed the Tilakamañjarī in 970 A.D. which may stand in comparison with the Kādambarī of Bāṇa.8 Jinesvarasūri prepared the Nirvānalī lāvatī kathā.4 Sur:1sundarī kathā was written at Chandrāvati near Abu in 1038 A.D. by Dhaneśvarasuri, pupil of Jinesvarasuri.5 The Ratnasekbarakathā was composed at Chitor by Javachandasūri.6 In the twelfth century, Simhakavi wrote the Paijunnakahā at Bambhanavāda, near Sirohi.7 Vivekasāgara composed the Punyasārakathānaka at Jaisalmer in the thirteenth century.8

Sakalakīrti, who lived in the fifteenth century, is the author of Bhāvanā panchavimsativratakathā.9 The writer of the Siddhachakra is Subhachandra, the Pattadhara of Padmanandi, who separated from Sakalakīrti.10 Nandīsvarakathā and Ashtāhnikākathā were written by Subhachandra, pupil of Vijayakīrti, in the sixteenth century.11 In 1469 A.D., Bhattāraka Somakīrti of Kāshthā Sanigha wrote the Saptayvasanakatbāsamuchchaya. The Saubhāg yapañchamīkathā was prepared by Kanakakusala in 1598 A.D. at Merta.12 Samayasundara is the writer of the Chāturmāsikaparvakathā and Kalakā charyakatha 18 Damayantī kathā was composed by Gunavinaya.14 Bhānuchandra Upādhyāya is the author of Kādambarī pūrvabhāgatī kā. Ratnapālakathānaka and Vivekavilāsatīkā.15 The Ashtābnikākathā and Chandanashashtīkathā were written respectively by Bhattāraka Surendrakīrti18 and Bhattāraka Devendrakīrti.17 Upādhyāya Lakshmīvallabha, pupil of Lakshmīkīrti, composed the Pañchaku.

1.	JSSI., p. 185.	2.	JSAI., pp. 467-468.	3.	Ibid., pp. 468-69.
4.	JSS1., p. 208,	5.	Ibid.	6.	RB., III, No. 2.
7.	Ibid.	8.	JSSI, p. 415.	9.	RJSBGS, p. 22.
10.	JGP8, No. 62,	11.	RJSBGS, pp. 48 & 247.	12.	JSSI, p. 604.
13.	Ibid., p. 588.	14.	RB III, No. 2.	15.	JSSI, p. 596.
16.	RJSBGS, p. 20.	17.	Ibid., p. 21.		

mārakatbā at Rinī, near Bikaner in 1689 A.D.1 The Bhavishyadattakatbā an Panchamikatha were prepared by Meghavijaya in the eighteenth century Kshamākalvāna is the composer of Chaturmāsikāholikā parvakathā and th Akshavatrtīvākathā.8

There is quite a large story literature in Hindi created by Jair authors. Brahma Rāyamala wrote the Hanuvantakathā in 1559 A.D., Bhavishy. dattakathā in 1576 A.D. and Nirdoshasaptamīvratakathā. The Holī kī kati was composed by Chhitara Tholiya of Maujamabad in 1603 A.D.5 In 166 A.D., Padmanābha Kāvastha of Bundi composed the Yasodharachaupāibandh. kathās. Iveshthajinavarakathā was written by Khuśālachanda Kālā in 1725 A.I Dharmabuddhikathā is the story of Pandita Bakhatarāma written in 1743 A.D. Rātribhojanakathā was written by Kisanasimha® and Jīvarāja composed th Maunaekādašīkathā in 1807 A.D. at Bikaner.9

- (ii) KATHĀKOŚA: Jainas have made several collections of tale known as the Kathakasa. Haribhadra is known to have written a Kathaka. in the eighth century A.D.10 Jinadasa, the pupil of Bhattaraka Sakalakirt is the author of another Kathākośa.11 Bhaṭṭāraka Devendrakīrti prepared th Vratakathākoša.12 Iodharāja Godikā wrote the Kathakoša in 1665 A.D. ar the Samayaktvakaumudī in 1667 A.D.18 Punyāsravakathākoša is the work of Pandita Daulatarāma written in 1720 A.D.14 Khuśālachanda composed th Vratakathākosa in 1726 A.D.15
- (iii) EPICS: Jainas have not only adopted the epic themes suc as the Krishna and Rāma legend and others of Hindus but they have als written their own original epics. The earliest of this kind is the Prakı epic Paumachariya by the poet Vimalasuri. It is said to be written 530 yea after the nirvāna of Mahāvīra. This is the Jaina Rāmāyana and served as the model for the others. Hemachandra also wrote the Jaina Rāmāyana.18] 1595 A.D., the Devarāmāyana was composed by Devavijava at Srīmāla¹⁷. Th

^{1.} RB III, No. 2. 2. JGG, p. 58. 3. Ibid., p. 61. 4. JGPS, p, 65

PS, p. 281. Ibid., p. 250.

^{7.} Hindī Jaina Sāhitya kā Sainkshipta Ithihāsa, p. 219. 8. Ibid.

^{9.} RB III, No. 2. 10. JGG, p. 6. 11. JGPS, (Int

RJSBGS, p. 22. 13. Jaina Sähitya kä Samkshipta Itihasa, p. 11

^{14.} Viravāņi, II, p. 30. 15. Ibid.

^{16.} The Jainas in the History of Indian literature, p. 12. 17. RB III. No. 2.

Rāmāyona written in Rājasthānī by Vidyākuśala and Chāritradharma is also available.¹

(iv) CHARITRAS AND PURÄNAS: Narrative literature also consists of Charitras and Puränas, which are the lengthy biographies of the Tirthańkaras, Chakravartis and Rishis of the past. Such works were written in Rajasthan from time to time. The Munipaticharitra, Yaloabaracharitra and Nemināthachariu are the works written in the eighth century by Haribhadra. The Chandrakevalīcharitra was composed by Siddharshi in 917 A.D., twelve years after the composition of the Upamitibhavaprapānbākathā. Jinešvarsātri is the author of Vīracharitra; and Ganadbarasārdbaiataka and Ganadbarasaptati were composed by Jinadattasūri. Devachandrasūri wrote the Santināthacharitra in 1103 A.D. Its extent is 12000 llokas and the language is Prākrit. His disciple the great Hemachandra is the author of the Tribashbibialākāparushacharitra which is the store-house of stories and tales. It describes the lives of sixtythree persons in ten cantos.

The Sanatkumāracharitra is the work of Jinapāla Upādhyāya written in the thirteenth century A.D.? Sumatigani, pupil of Jinapatisūri, wrote a lengthy commentary on the Ganadharasārāhasiataka.⁸ The Dhanya-ialibhadracharitra was written at Jaisalmer by Pūrnabhadragani, pupil of Jinapatii. His Atimuktakathācharitra and Kritapunyacharitra are also available.⁸ In 1218 A.D., the poet Lakkhana composed the Jinadattacharin at Vilāsapura near Kotah whete he came for safety from Muslim invasions from Tribhuvana-giri (Modern Tahangarth), near Bharatpur.¹⁰ Lakshmītilaka composed the Pratyekahndāhacharitra in 1254 A.D. at Palanpur.¹¹ Chandratilaka began to write the Abhayakumāracharitra is the work of Vivekasamudra in 1277 A.D.¹³ The Poetess Guṇasamṛıddhi Mahattarā, pupil of Jineśvarasūri, composed the Aāŋanāimadarīcharitra in Prākrit in 1349 A.D.¹⁴

^{1.} SP V, No, 4. 2. JSSI, p. 162. 3. Ibid., p. 186. 4. Ibid., p. 208.

^{5.} Ibid., p. 233. 6 Catalogue of MSS., in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, p. 46

^{7.} JSSI, p. 395. 8. Ibid., p. 396.

^{9.} Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, pp. 3 & 34.

Anekānta VIII, p. 400. Pt. Paramānanda Śāstri had identified Vilāsapur with Willarampur in Eta district of UP. Actually it is Vilāsapura near Kota.

Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, p. 23.
 JSSI, p. 411.

RB III, No. 2.
 Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, p. 49.

There is a Jaina inscription entitled Uttamasikharapurāna by Siddhasūri of Mathura Sampha incised on a rock 15 feet long by 5 feet broad at Bijanlia.1 Pandita Asadhara wrote the Trishashtismritisastra.2 Padmanandi, who flourished in the fifteenth century A.D., wrote the Varddhamānacharitra.8 The Mallinathacharitra, Yasodharacharitra, Vrishabhacharitra, Sudarsanacharitra, Sukamālacharitra, Varddhamānacharitra, Dhanyakumāracharitra, Jambūsvāmīcharitra and Srī būlacharitra are the works of Bhattaraka Sakalakīrti.4 His pupil and younger brother Brahma linadasa composed the lambusvamīcharitra. Rāmacharitra and Harivamsacharitra.5 Bhattāraka Somakīrti of Kāshthā Samgha composed the Pradynmnacharitra in 1474 A.D. and the Yasodharacharitra was written by him in Mewar in 1479 A.D. The author of the Srenikacharitra, Chandraprabbacharitra, Jivandharacharitra, Karakundacharitra, Chandanacharitra and Pāndavapurāna is Subhachandra, the pupil of Vijayakīrti.7 Thākura, who was the disciple of Bhattaraka Visalakīrti of Nagaur, composed the Mahāburānakālikā in 1592 A.D."

In the seventeenth century A.D. Jambūsvāmīcharitra was written by the poet Rājamalla.9 Pandita Jinadāsa, the pupil of Lalitakīrti, composed the Holirenukācharitra in 1551 A.D.10 Susbenacharitra is the work of the poet Jagannātha who was a disciple of Bhattāraka Narendrakīrti.11 The great poet Meghavijaya of the eighteenth century composed the Laghutrishashthisalākāpurushacharitra.12 Upādhyāya Kshamākalyāna wrote the Yasodharacharitra and Śrīpālacharitra. While writing the Samarādityacharitra at Bikaner, he died in 1816 A.D. That incomplete work was finished by Sumativardhana in 1817 A.D. at Jaipur. In 1811 A.D., Jayakirti wrote the Śripūlacharitra at Taisalmer.18

In medieval times, Puranas and Charitras of the Prakrit and Sanskrit languages were translated into Hindi language and even some fresh were also written. Brahma Jinadasa composed the Adipuraņa, Jambūsvamīcharitra and Yasodharacharitra in mixed Gujarāti and Rājasthānī.14 The poet Rājamalla, who settled at Sanganer in his last days, wrote the Pradyumna-

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    PRAS, wc., 1905-6, p. 58.
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^{3.} JGPS, p. 21 (Int.). 4. JGPS, p. 11.

^{6.} Ibid., pp. 43 and 78 (Int.). 7. JSAI, p. 533. 9. Ibid., IV, No. 2. 10. JGPS, No. 45.

^{12.} JSSI, p. 653.

^{13.} RB III. No. 2.

JSAI, p. 136.

Ibid., pp. 7, 15 and 142. 8. Anekānta III, p. 183.

^{11.} Ibid., p. 40 (Int.). 14. PS, pp. 203, 213 and 248.

rbaritra in 1571 A.D.¹ The Nemīivarachandrāvaņa of 1633 A.D. is the work of Bhaṭṭāraka Narendrakirti.³ Jodharāja Godikā of Sanganer made the Pīṭānhāvarharira in 1664 A.D.³ In 1665 A.D.° the Pradyumaprabandba was written by Bhaṭṭāraka Devendrakirti of Idar.⁴ The Sītātbaritra is the work of the poet Rāyachanda written in 166 A.D.° The Ilarivamhapnaāna was written in 1712 A.D. at Amber by Nemichanda, pupil of Jagatakirti.° In 1724 A.D., Lakshmīdāsa composed the Yahobaratharitra.¹ Khuśālachanda Kālā of Sanganer translated the Harivamhapurāna, Padmapurāna, Uttarapurāna, Dbanyakumāracharitra, jambūcharitra and Yahodharatharitra into Hindi.° Bhadrabāhabarharira is the work of Kiśanasinha who belonged to Sanganer.° Bhaṭṭāraka Vijayakirti of Amber composed the Śrenikacharitra in 1770 A.D.¹° In 1804 A.D., Vijayanātha of Todānagarā translated the Varādhamānapurāna in Hindi as desired by Kṛipārāma and Sītjana, sons of Jāānachanda who was the Dīvāna of Jaipur.¹¹

Nathamala Bilālā, the cashier of the Bhatatpur state, is the author the Nāgakumāracharitra, Jīvandharacharitra, and Jambūsvāmīcharitra. Ilanumānacharitra, Śūntimālhapurāna and Bhavishyadattacharitra are the works of Sevārāma Jāṭa.¹¹³ Paṇḍita Lālachanda Sāṇġāneriyā composed the Varāngacharitra, Vimalapurāna and other works.¹¹ Chāritrasāra was written by Paṇḍita Mannālāla in 1814 A.D.¹⁵ Paṇḍita Daulatarāma of Baswa settled at Jaipur where he translated the Ādipurāna, Padmapurāna, Harivamīapurana and Śrīpālacharitra into Hindi.¹¹°

(v) Rāsas: Rāsas are long ballads which are found in large number in Hindi literature from the thirteenth century A.D. Āsiga wrote the Jīvadayārīša and Chundanahālārāsa in about 1200 A.D. at Jalot. 1.º Several Rāsas are known to have been written by Sālibhadra, Abhayatilaka, Lakshmītilaka, Dharmakalasa etc. 18 Brahma Jinadāsa is the author of Yashodbararāsa, Ādinātharāsa, Śreņikarāsa, Samakitarāsa, Karakandunāsa, Karma.

Viravāṇi, II, p. 232.
 PS, p. 233.
 Viravāṇi, I, p. 71.
 PS, p. 239.
 Ibid., p. 266.
 Ibid., p. 278.

Ibid., p. 249.
 Vîravănî, I, p. 48.

Hindi Jaina Sāhitya kā Samkshipta Itihāsa, p. 48
 Ibid., p. 206.
 Hindi Jaina Sāhitya Kā Samkshipsa Itihāsa, p. 206.
 Ibid. 13. Ibid.

^{14.} Viravānī, I. p. 155. 15. Ibid., II. p. 30. 16. Ibid.

^{17.} Bhāratīyavidyā, III, p. 201. 18. Śrī Yatīndrasūri Abhinandanagrantha, pp. 121-127.

vitākarāsa, Srī tālarāsa, Pradvumnarāsa and Dhanapālarāsa.1 Brahma Rāyamala composed the Nemīsvararāsa in 1568 A.D. and Śrīpalarāsa in 1573 A.D.2 Bhattaraka Sumatikirti, pupil of Jñanabhushana, wrote the Dharmabarikshūrūsa,8 Iñānadāsa and Kanakasundara wrote respectively the Strīcharitrarāsa and Sagālasārāsa. All these Rāsas are written in the language which is a mixture of Rajasthani and Gujarati.

(vi) PAÑCHATANTRA LITERATURE: Jainas have taken a great interest even in important works of profane narrative literature. Panchatantras were written by Jaina authors from time to time to facilitate the grasp of difficult problems of life. Pürnabhadra completed the Pañchatantra in 1119 A.D.5 A Jaina monk Meghavijaya wrote the Panchākhyāna in 1660 A.D.6 The Pañchākhyāna was also written by Bachchharāja in Rājasthānī language.7

(3) Kāvyas, Mahākāvyas and other Small Poems

Jaina teachers cultivated the art of poetry not so much for its own sake as to carry the message of the Tirthankaras to the people in a form they liked the best. They have written a large number of such works. Some of them rank quite high among the books of this class and enrich poetical literature.

Dhanapala is the famous poet of the tenth century A.D. In his last days, he seems to have settled at Sanchor where he composed his Apabhramsa poem 'Satyapurīya Śrī Mahāvīra Utsāha' in praise of the Satyapura image of Mahāvīra. Earlier probably at Dhārā, he had written the Rishabhapanchāsikā. Mahāvīrastava and Sansktit commentary on a poem written by his younger brother, Sobhana, in honour of the 24 Tirthankaras." Both the style and the language of his poetry are elegant and charming. Dhanesvarasūri, pupil of Jinesvara Süri, composed the Satrunjayamābātmya.4 Another disciple of Jinesvarasüri named Jinachandrasüri is the author of Samregarangasāla.10 This work appears to have been very popular, for it is referred to in several books. Jinavallabhasuri was a profound scholar who had equal command both over Sanskrit and Prakrit. The Sringarasataka, Svapnashtakavichara and Chitrakāvya are known to be his works. He is also the author of several Stotras.11 His Srāvaka Padmānanda was also a poet who wrote the Vairāg ya-

^{1.} JGPS, p. 12 (Int.). JGPS, p. 52 (Int.). 3. Ibid., p. 75. 4. SVRSSG, p. 711. 5. JISI, p. 340. 6. Ibid., p. 653.

^{7.} SP V, No. 4. 8 JSSI, p. 206. See also JSS, 111, 1.

^{9.} JGG, p. 14. Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, p. 21. 11. JSSI, p. 232.

tataka in Sanskrit.¹ This book is different from the work of Bhartrihari. It is less emotional but the language is lucid and polished. To Vāgbhaṭa of the same period is assigned the Neminirvāṇa dealing with the life of Neminātha. Vāgbhaṭa was the son of Chhāhaṭa of Prāgvāṭa caste and of Ahichhatrapura.¹ The Praśasti of the Bijaulia inscription³ dated 1170 A.D. has been written in the refined Sanskrit language by Guṇabhadra who must have written other works but they are not available.

Jinadattasūri, pupil of Jinavallabhasūri, was such an influential Achārya that he was considered as the Kalpavrikisha of Marudhara. He wrote in Prākrit, Sanskrit and Apabhranisa. The Chaityavandanakulaka and Avasthākulaka are his poetical works. Besides, he composed the Sanvādhishlayistorra, and Vighnavinālīstotra. Hemachandrasūri was also a notable poet who wrote Dvayārvayakāvya in Sanskrit and Kumārapālacharitra in Prākrit. These two works are quite well-known in Indian literature. Besides, he wrote Vītarāgastotra and Mabādevastotra.

Pandita Ásādhata is also the well-known poet who wrote the Bharatelvarābbyudaya Muhātkāvya, Rājīmatī vipralambba, Khandakāvya with the Svopajūasītā. His work of lesser importance are Ankurāropanavidhi, Abhishekavidhi, Jinasahasranāma, Ishtapadesastotratīkā, Jinakalpamālā, Paūchakalyānakamālā, Svastimangalavidbāna, Sidahachakrajbijā, Dīkshāpaṭala and Pratishbārāra. The commentary on the Dvyādraya of Hemachandra was written by Abhayatilaka, pupil of Jinešvarastri at Pālanapura in 1255 a.D. Hammīramabākāvya written in the fourteenth century a.D. by Nayachandra describes the heroic deeds of Hammīta who bravely fought with the Muslims at Ranthambhor.8

The Jaina scholars composed a number of Stotras in praise of the Tirthankaras and Āchāryas. Padmanandi composed the Jīrāvalipārivanātbastavana and Bbāvanāpaddbati. The Vītarāgastotra, Sānijinastotra, Rāvanapārivanātbastotra, Padmanandipānchavinhati, Karnnāsbtaka, Ekatvasaplati, Paramātmarājastotra, Jinavaradarianabbāvanācbaturvinhatikā, Lakhmīstotra and Yatibāvanāsbtaka¹⁰ are also attributed to him, but it is not definite whether they

^{1.} JSSI, p. 234. 2. JSAI, p. 483. 3. EI, XXIV, p. 84. 4. JSSI, p. 233. 5. Ibid., pp. 299-300. 6. JSAI, pp. 134-135. 7. JSSI, p. 410.

^{8.} Edited by N. J. Kirtane, Education Society Press, Bombay, 1879.

^{9.} JGPS, p. 20. 10. RJSBGS, p. 411.

are of this Padmanandi or some one else of this name because there is no mention of his teacher Prabhāchandra in them. His pupil Subhachandra wrote the Śaradāstavana.¹ About Sabasragmapīja, Palyavidāma, Sārdbadvayapīja and Trilokapīja,² we are not definite whether they are of this Subhachandra or of Subhachandra of Idar. Jinachandra, the pupil of Subhachandra, composed the Chaturvilatijinastotra.² The Chaturviniatitīrībankarastotra was written by Bhaṭṭāraka Sakalaktrti.² His disciple named Brahma Jinadāsa composed the Jambīdvīpapīja. Jiñānabhūshana² is the author of Neminirvāna-kāyapañjikā, Pañchāstikāyaṭfkā, Daśalakshanodyāpana, Ādītvaraphūga, Bhaktāma-radyāpana, Sarasvatīpījā, Riibimandalapijā and Jinastuti.

The Nomināthakāvya was written in 1438 A.D. by Kīrtiratnasūri.⁶ In the same year, Charitratatnagani wrote a Pratustikāvya of Mahāvīra at Chitor.⁷ His one more Kāvya named Dānapradīpa is also available.⁸ In 1416 A.D., Upādhyāya Jayasāgara made amendments in the praisasti of the temple of Pārsvanātha and composed the praisasti of the temple of Sāntinātha at laisalmer.⁶

In the sixteenth century also, a number of Kāvyas were written by Jaina authors in Rajasthan. The Pāriyanāthokāvyapahjikā was written by Subhachandra, pupil of Vijayakīrti of Idar on the inspiration of Bhatṭīāraka Stībhūshaṇa.¹º It is a commentary on the Pāriyanāthokāvya of Vādirāja. His other works are Trimlachchaturvimlatiphyāpātha, other pujās and stories. Bhaṭṭāraka Prābhāchandra, probably a pupil of Jinachandra, wrote the Supāriva-tavana, Rāvanapārivastavana and some pējūs.¹¹¹ Bhaṭṭāraka Dharmachandra, made the Kahājikāvatodyāpanaphyā.¹² Bhaṭṭāraka Chandrakītti is the author of the Siddhastavana, Siddhayayamāla and some Pujās.¹³

Gunavinaya is specially famous for his commentaries on several literary works. Some of them were written in Rajasthan such as Khanda-praiasti in 1584 A.D., Nadadamayantīchampiwrjitti. in 1590 A.D., Raghnaanisa-pritti in 1590 A.D. and Laghniantwritti in 1602 A.D. His other notable Sanskrit commentaries available are Karmachandrawniniaprabandhavritti, Indriya-parajayadatakavritti, Laghnajitakantiwritti, Sīlopadeiamālūrritti, Datūtrutaskandha-

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1. Anekānta, XII, No. 10. 2. RJSBGS, p. 423. 3. Anekānta, III, No. 2.
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RJSBGS, p. 424.
 JSAI, p. 530. See also RJSBGS, p. 405.

^{6.} JSSI, p. 471. 7. JRAS, Vol. 63, Yr. 1908. 8. RB, III, No. 2. 9. NJI, No. 2112 & 2154. 10. JSAI, p. 530. 11. RJSBGS, p. 412.

^{12.} Ibid., p. 419. 13. Ibid., p. 402.

vritti, Rishimandalaavachüri etc. He made 117 interpretations of the word 'Samvavattha.' He is also the author of Vichararatnasangraha.1 Vijayadevamāhātmya, Aranāthastutisavritti and Vidvat prabodhakāvya are the works written by his disciple Srīvallabha.2 Guṇaratna, pupil of Vinayasamudra, composed the Kāvyaprakāsa, Raguvamsavritti and Sārasvatakrivāchandrikā. The work named Kāvyaprakāsa is the most popular and scholarly work in Sanskrit poetics.3

The name of Samayasundara ranks high among the Jaina poets of the sixteenth century. He utilised his poetic power in composing the Rāsa, Chaubāī, Gītā etc. His aim in writing as he savs was not to show scholarship but to serve the people. His first work is the Sanskrit Kāvya named Bhāvasataka written in 1584 A.D. He also wrote the Ashtalakshī in which he gave eight lakhs of interpretations of the sentence containing eight letters 'Raiño Dadate Saukhya'. It was presented in the royal court of the emperor Akbar who was surprised to hear. He is also the writer of linasimhapadotsavakāvya and Raghuvainsavritti.

Upādhyāya Sūrachandra wrote the Pañchatīrthīsleshālmskārakāvya which is highly eleborate. Besides, the Ashtārthī kāvyavritti, Pañchavargaparibūr.istava and Ajitaslintistava are also attributed to him.5 Though Sahajakīrti wrote in the language of the masses, his poetical works and tikis in Sanskrit are also available. He is the author of Parsvastavana inscribed on Satadala Padmayantra in 1626 A.D.6 In addition, the Mabavīrastutivritti in 1116 A.D., Sārasvatavritti in 1624 A.D. and Gautamakulakavritti were written by him.7 In 1642 A.D., Sumativijava prepared the Raghuvamsatīkā and Meghadūtavritti.8

Meghavijaya of Tapagachchha is also the notable poet who wrote the Devānandābhyudayamahākāvya at Sādadī in 1670 A.D. His other poetical works known to us are Meghakāvyapūrti, Meghadūtasamasyālekha, Digvijayamahākāvya, Saptasandhānamahākāvyasatīka, Pañchatīrthustuti, Arhudgītā and Bhaktāmaravritti.9 Gunavijaya wrote his treatise on the Vijayaprasastikūvva at Srīmāla and Jodhpur but gave its finishing touches at Sirohi in 1631 A.D.10 Lakshmīvallabha, pupil of Lakshmīkīrti, wrote the Dharmopadesakāvya with his own commentary in 1688 A.D. His commentary on Kumārasambhava is also available.11 His disciple named Lakshmīsena is the author of

^{1.} RB III, No. 2. 2. JGG, p. 50. 3. RB III, No. 2. 5. Jaina Siddhänta Bhāskara, XVI9, No. 1.

^{7.} Jaina Siddhanta Bhaskara, XVI, No. 2.

^{9.} NPP, Vol. 55, No. 4. 10. RB III. No. 2.

⁴ NPP, Vol. 57, No. 1.

^{6.} NJI, No. 2513. 8. RB III, No. 2.

^{11.} Ibid.

the Pādapārtistava.¹ In 1679 A.D., Dharmavardhana wrote the Pādapārtivīrabbaktāmarasvopajāvaristi and other stotras.² His grand pupil Jāānatilaka is the author of Lakhakāvya, and he also composed several stotras.³

Numerous pūjās are attributed to Bhaṭṭāraka Devendrakīṭti. It is not definite whether he belongs to the seat of Idar or Jaipur but he definitely lived in Rajasthan. Brahma Rāyamalla composed the Bhaktāmaravṛitti and Bhawishyadatia Chaupāī. The poet Jagannātha wrote the Świāmbaraparājaya, Chatawwinhiati Sandbānasvopajnatīkā and Swkbanidhāna. His Śṛingārasamudra-kāṇya and Neminarendrastotrasvopajna are also known but they are not available. His brother Vādirāja was also a poet who wrote the Jnānalochanstotras and Kawichandrikā. Bhaṭṭāraka Vijaya-kirti³ are known to have composed several pūjās in praise of Tīrthańkaras.

Rāmavijaya composed the Gautamīyakāvya in 1750 A.D. at Jodhpur, which has been published with the treatise of his pupil named Kshamā-kalyāṇa. His Stutipañkbāšikā and Drātrimšikājñānapījā are also available.¹0 His pupil Upādhyāya Kshamākalyāṇa made the Sūktiratnāvalī with Svopajña-nritti at Jaisalmer in 1790 A.D.11 In 1802 A.D., Punyašīlal² and Sīvachandral³ have written the Chaturvimlati and the Pradyumnālīāprakāla respectively.

In medieval times, Jaina literature began to be created in Hindi and Rajasthani languages. In the fifteenth century, Sakalakitri composed the Arādhanāpribodhasīra, Nemīivaragīta and Muktīvalīgīta. His younger brother Brahma Jinadāsa wrote several pūjās and gītas in mixed Rājasthāni and Gujarātl. Akhayarāja Srimāla of the seventeenth century A.D. is the author of Ekābāvastortabbāsbā, Kalyānamandirastotrabbāsbā and Bbaktāmarastotrabbāsbā. Hemarāja Godītkā translated the Prawabanasīra of Kundkunda in Hindi verses in 1667 AD. 17 Dilārāma of Bundī composed the Ātmadvādalī in 1711 A.D. 18 Ānandagbana of Merta is the author of Chaturvhišatijinastavana which is a highly spiritual work. 18

RB III, No. 2.
 Ibid.
 RJSGS, p. 407.
 JGPS, p. 38 (Int.).

This stotra has been published by Manikachandra Granthamālā.

JGPS, No. 141.
 RJSBS, p. 426.
 Ibid., p. 420.

^{10.} RB III, No. 2. 11. Ibid. 12. Ibid.

Ibid. 14. RJSBGS, p. 424.
 Ibid., p. 404. See also JGPS, p. 12 (Int.).
 RJSBGS, p. 397

Ibid., p. 404. See also JGPS, p. 12 (Int.).
 Anekānta, XI, p. 348.
 PS, p. 222.
 Vēravāni II. p. 77.

In the eighteenth century a.d. Dīpachanda Kāsalīvāla wrote some poetical works full of spiritual thoughts. Khuśālachanda Kālā translated some Sanskrit works into Hindi verses. Paṇḍita Daulatarāma Kāsalīvāla was a statesman as well as poet. First he acted as an envoy of Sawāi Jayasinha at Udaipur but afterwards became a minister of Sawāi Mādhosinha, son of Jayasinha.¹ He is the author of several poetical works such as Chaubīsadandaka, Vivekavilāta, Chbahadbāla, AdhyaImabārabakhadbī, Āīmabatīsī and Siddhapijā.² Paṇḍita Jayachanda Chhābatā translated some Sanskrit works into Hindi; and he is also the author of Devāgamastotrabbāshā, Bhaktāmarastotrabāshā and hadas.³

The poet Budhajana⁴ is known to have written four poetical works such as Budhajanasatasā, Tativārībabadha, Budhajanasitāsa and Paūkhāstikāya. In the Budhajanasatasā, there are about seven hundred 'dobās'. It is divided into four Prakaranas such as Devāmrāgašataka, Subhāsbitanīti, Upadeštādhikāra and Virāgabhāvanā. The Tatvārībabadha was written in verse in 1842 A.D. His third work Budhayanavikāra is the collection of the Chbabadhātā Ishtachbatītā, Darlanapachchītī, Barababhāvanāpājana, padas etc. His fourth work is the translation of Paūkastikāya in Hindi verse. Pārasadāsa Nigotiyās is the author of the Pārasarilāsa written in 1863 A.D. It contains the various stutis, pūjūs, padas, gīta etc. Paṇdita Sadāsukha Kāsalīvāla⁶ is the writer of several poetical works such as Nātak-samayusāra, Akalankāshakavathanikā, Mrityumabotsava, Nityanityanījā and Devasiddhapūjū.⁷ In the twentieth century A.D. Bāladova Pārani composed the Jāmavarnamāla and Jūmastataka at Bikaner.⁸

In the Rājasthāni language, most of the literature belongs to the Jainas. Samayasundara is the distinguished poet of Rājasthānī language. Stārārmachaupār is the Jaina Rāmāyana written by him in Rājasthānī language. His other poetical works are Pradyunmachaupār, Chārapratyekabudharāsa, Līlāvalīsta, Priyamelakarāsa, Punyasārachaupār, Valkalachīstrāsa, Satruhjayarāsa, Vastupālarāsa, Thāvachchār-chaupār, Kshullakakumāraprabandha, Champukastrathichaupār, Cautamaprichebhāchaupār, Dhamadattachaupār, Sādhuandanā, Punjārishi-chaupār, Cautamaprichebhāchaupār, Dhamadattachaupār, Sādhuandanā, Punjārishi-

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RJSBGS, pp. 407-08.
 Anekānia, XI, p. 243.
 Viravāni, I, p. 285.
 Ibid., 1p. 403-04.
 Anekānia, XI, p. 243.
 Viravāni, I, p. 285.
 Ibid., 1I, p. 7.

^{7.} RJSBGS, p. 424. 8. Vīravānī, IV, p. 207.

rāsa, Draupadīthaupāī, Kelīprabandha, Dānādishaudbīliyā evam Kshamāchhatīsī, Karmachhatīsī, Punyashhatīsī, Daubkālauarunaashhatīsī, Savaiyāchhatīsī, Aloyanāchhatīsī, Punyashhatīsī, Daubkālauarunaashhatīsī, Savaiyāchhatīsī, Aloyanāchhatīsī, Cabathāī was also written by him. Jinasamudrastīti composes various rāsas and stavanas containing about fifty or sixty thousand stanzas. Jitamala was a great poet of the Rājasthānī language and composed about one lakh slokas. Dalapatavijaya is the author of Khumānarāso. Gorābādala and Padmāvatīshhata were written respectively by Hemaratna and Labdhodaya. Somasundara composed a poem on Ekādasīkathā. The other important poetical works written in Rājasthānī language are Bhartribaristatakabāthātīstīkā, Amarustataka, Laghustavabālāvabodha, Kisanarukamayībelikā, Dhārtākhyānakathātāra and Kādamharībathātāra.

(4) SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL LITERATURE

The contributions of Jainas to the scientific and technical literature are also considerable.

- (i) Alankāra (Poetics): As the Jaina poets wrote numerous works of poetry in high flown Kārya style, it was natural for them to write Alankāra-āstras. Hemachandra wrote the Kāryānuāsana with his own commentary called the Alankāra-chūqāmanī. Pandita Āśādhara wrote a treatise on the Kāryālankāra of the famous Āchārya Rudrata but it is not available. Vāgbhaṭṭa, son of Nemikumāra of Mewar, wrote the Kāryānuāsanasūtra with a commentary of his own called Kāryamaīā in about the fourteenth or fifteenth century. Vādirāja, minister of the king Rājasimha of Todānagara composed the Kanichundrikā, a treatise on the Vāgbhaṭālankāra. Works on poetics were writen also in Rājasthānī language such as Vāgbhaṭālankārabālavabadba. Vidagāhamukh.mandanabālārabadbada and Rasikapriyābālālavabadba.
- (ii) GRAMMAR: Knowledge of grammar is also necessary in order to have mastery over literature. With this object in view, works on grammar were written by Jaina scholars from time to time. Buddhisāgarasūri, brother of Jineśvarasūri, wrote a comprehensive Sanskrit and Prākrit Grammar, the Pahchagrantbī at Jalor in 1023 A.D. after consulting some other works.⁷

SVRSSG, pp. 703-722.

^{2.} JSSI, p. 310.

JSAI, p. 136.

^{4,} Ibid., p. 486.

^{5.} JGPS, No. 141.

^{6.} SVRSSG, p. 707.

Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, p. 20.

Hemachandra, guru of Kumārapāla, was another great grammarian. His grammar known as the Siddhahmanyūkarana is a well-known work on the subject. Hemachandra wrote his grammar by the orders of King Jayasinha who had procured for him eight older grammatical works from the library of Sarasvati in Kashmir. It is divided into eight chapters. The first seven deal with Sanskrit and the last one with various Prākrits and Apabhramsa. The author himself wrote two commentaries on his work, a shorter and a longer one; besides an Unadiūtra, a Dhātuhātha and Lingāmuātana.¹ Jayakirti is the author of Chhandonuāsana.² Jayakirti seems to be the same person as mentioned in the Chitorgath inscription of 1150 A.D.⁸ In this inscription, he has been described as the teacher of Rāmakirti. Paṇḍita Āśādhara is the author of Kriyākalāpa.*

In the sixteenth century, a Prākrit grammar known as Chintāmani was written by Bhaṭṭāraka Subhachandra.\(^6\) Srīvallabha wrote commentaries on old grammars such as Lingānudāsanadurgapadaprabodhavritii and Abhidbānanāmamātārpititi. His other independent works on grammar are Chatmabasvaravādasthala and Sārasvataprayoganirnaya Vyākarana Kathinalabdavritti.\(^6\) Samayasundara wrote a treatise on the Vrittaratnākara in 1547 A.D.\(^6\) Sahajakīti was also a great grammarian who wrote Sārasvatapritti in 1624 A.D.\(^6\) and Sārasvatapisa of Lābhavardhana is also available. The poet Rāyamalla wrote the Chānadalāstra and Pingala in Hindi.\(^6\) The works on grammar such as Chandraprabhā, Henušabdachandrikā ald Hematabdaprab iyā were composed by Meghavijaya.\(^6\) Chandrakītii wrote Sārasvatavyākarana.\(^6\) His disciple Harshakītii was also the grammarian who wrote the works namely Sārasvatavījākā, Dhātupāthaturangiūt, Sāradīyanāmanālā and Srutababdarttti.\(^6\)

The poet Sobhanātha composed the Chhandaliromani in 1769 s.p. at Jaipur during the reign of Prithvīsimha. 14 Kuśalalābha 15 and Rājasoma 10 wrote the Piùgaladiromani and Dobāchandrikā respectively in Rājasthānī language.

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      1. JSSI, pp. 302-06
      2. JGPS, No. 60.

      3. This inscription has been published in Epigraphia Indica.
      4. JSAI, p 135
      6. Ibid., p 533.
      6. RB III, No. 2.

      7. JGG, p. 49.
      8. Ibid., p. 56.
      9. RB III, No. 2.

      10. Anekaña IV, No. 2.
      11. NPP, Vol. 55, No. 4.
      12. RB III, No. 2.
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Anekanta IV, No. 2.
 NPP, Vol. 55, No. 4.
 RB III, No. 2.
 JGG, p. 50.
 PS, p. 212.
 SVRSSG, p. 706.
 Ibid.

Other works written in this language are Bālašiksbā, Uktiratnākara, Uktisamuchchaya, Kātantrabālāvabodha, Pañchasandhibālāvabodha, Hemavyākaronabhāsbājikā, Sārasvatabālāvabodha, Pingalatiromaņi, Dubāchandrikā and Vrittaratnākarabālāvabodha.

- (iii) Lexioography: Closely connected with grammar is lexicography. Hemachandra is also the author of the lexicographical works which he compiled as supplements to his grammar. His Lingānudīsunu is accompanied by his commentary. Besides that, he wrote four lexicons Abbidbānachintāmani, Anekārthasangraba, Detīnāmamālā and Nigbantulesha, all of them, except perhaps the last, accompanied by his own commentaries. Jinabhadrasūri, pupil of Jinavallabhasūri, composed the Apavarganāmamālākod. Amarakaistīkā was written by Paṇḍita Āšādhara but it is not available. In 1597 A.D., Jiñānatilaka made a commentary on the Śabdaprabhadada. His disciple named Stīvallabha wrote a treatise on the Śilohchbadoia of Jineśvarasūri in 1598 A.D. and Śāraddbārarvitit was made by him on Abbidbānanāmamālā.
- (iv) Geographical Works: Jaina scholars also wrote some geographical works but they are not accurate. Haribhadrasūri composed Lokabindukitetrasamāsanyitti in the eighth century A.D.7 Jambūdīvapamatti was written in the tenth century by Padmanandi at Barah in Kotah state probably during the reign of Saktisinha of Ahar in Mewar.* Vijayasimha made the Kibetrasamāsanyitti at Pālī in the fourteenth century.* In 1588 A.D., Punyasāgara Mahopādhyāya composed the Jambūdūpaprajūaplitīkā at Jaisalmer.* Surendrakitti, pupil of Kshemendrakitti, wrote a commentary on the Jambūdvīpaprajūapti in Sanskrit in 1776 A.D.13
- (v) ASTRONOMICAL WORKS: There is hardly any branch of literature that has not been treated by the Jainas. Astronomical works were written by Jaina authors from time to time. Haribhadra was an astronomer who wrote the Lagnaluddhi.¹² Durgadeva, who flourished in the eleventh century at Kāman near Bharatpur, was an astronomer of note. He wrote the Ardhakānda in Prākut devoting to the description of different astronomical and astrological circumstances and conditions leading to the rise and fall in

SVRSSG, p. 707.
 JSSI, p. 309.
 JGG, p. 16.
 JSAI, p. 135.
 RR III, No. 2.
 JGG, p. 50.
 Ibid., p. 6.
 Purătana Jair

RR III, No. 2. 6. JGG, p. 50. 7. Ibid., p. 6. 8. Purătana Jaina Vākyasāchī, p. 67. 9. RB III, No. 2. 10. Catalogue of MSS, in Jaisalmer Bhaṇdāras, p. 46. 11. PS, p. 8. 12. JSSI, p. 162.

prices of various commodities, articles of food, drink, animals and others.¹ In 1564 A.D., Hirakalaśa of the Kharataragachchha composed an important work named Jyotisbasāra in Prākrit at Nagaur.² Drīksbāprastishtādiinddbi was written in 1628 A.D. by Samayasāra at Lūṇakaraṇasara.³ Dhanarāja made a commentary on the Mabādevīāraušī in 1653 A.D. at Padmāvatī.⁴ The famous Bhānuchandra prepared a treatise on the Vasantarājaiakuma at Sirohi.⁵ Harshaktīti of Nāgapurīya Tapāgachchha wrote the Jyotisbasāradbāra.⁴ Meghavijaya was well-versed in the science of astronomy and wrote the works namely Varshaprabadbā, Ramalatāstra, Hastasahjīvama, Udayadīpikā, Pratnasmdarī and Vīšayantravidbi.³ Yaśasavatasāgara is the author of Grabalāgbavavārtikā and Yalorājīrājapaddbati.³

The astronomical works were written also in Rājasthānī such as the Lagbujātakanachanikā, jātakakarmapaddbatislāvabodba, Vivāhapadalabālāvabodba, Bhuwanadī pakabālāvabodba, Chamatkārachintāmanibālāvabodba, Muhārttachintāmanibālāvabodba, Vivāhapadalabbāshā, Ganitastātbīto, Paāchāganayanachanpāī, Snkhanadīpikāchanpāī, Angaphurkanachanpāī, and Varshapbalāphulatashjāya.

- (vi) Works on Mathematics: Jainas have written some works on Mathematics also. A mathematical work named Uttarabatīsī was written in Sanskrit by Sumatikīti, pupil of Jāānabhūshaṇa. 10 The Arthasandrishisādhikīra of Paṇḍita Toḍaramala is a work of high merit in mathematics. 11 Paṇḍita Mannālāla Sāngākā was well-versed in this science. The Līkwaītbhābāchuṇār and Ganitasārachanpār written in Rajasthani language are credited to him. 12
- (vii) WORKS ON MEDICINE: Works on medicines were written by Jaina authors from time to time. Pandita Aśādhara wrote a commentary named Ashtāngabridayadyotinī fīkā on the famous work of Vāgbhaṭta but it is not available.¹³ Dīpachanda, pupil of Dayātilaka, wrote a work on medicine named Langhanapathyamiruaya at Jaipur in 1735 A.D. It deals with treatment by fasting.¹⁴ The works written in Rājasthānī language are Mādbavanidāna-

Singhi Jaina series, XXI, (Int).
 RB III, No. 2
 Ibid.
 RB III, No. 2
 Ibid.

^{7.} JGG, p. 58. 8. Ibid., p. 59. 9. SVRSSG, p. 707.

^{10.} JGPS, p. 75 (Int.). 11. Anekānia VI, No. 8. 12. RB III, No. 2.

JSAI, p. 136.
 RB III, No. 2.

tabbū, Samipūtukalikūtabbūdvaya, Pathyūpathyatabbū, Vaidyajīvanatabbū, Sataslokītabbū etc.1

(5) HISTORICAL AND POLITICAL WORKS

From time to time, Jaina scholars have written some works which throw some light on history. Hemachandra is the author of Depalirayakāvaya and Kumārapālacharitra which deal with the history of the Chālukyas of Anahilavāda.² The former describes the conquest of Siddharāja Jayasinha and the latter claims to be a biography of the King. Abhayatilaka and Pūrnakalaśa wrote a commentary on the Dvyāhrayakāvya of Hemachandra.⁸ Nayachandrasūri is the author of Hammīramabākāvya which describes the hetoic feats of Hammīra in his fight against Alauddin Khilji. In 1440 A.D., Jinaharsha wrote the Vastupālatapaplabratira.⁶ Guṇavijaya wrote a commentary on the famous historical poem named Vijayapradasti in 1631 A.D.⁸ The historical poem named Ngiyayamabākāvya was written by Meghavijaya.⁶ An incomplete work named Rājavaihlavarnana written in Sanskrit describes the important dynasties of India.⁷

A large number of Tribamillis written by Jaina scholars are found and they actually form a branch of Jaina literature. These are the recorded accounts of saints and scholars who went from place to place. These are just like our so-called guide books. We find in them the names of the Tirthas, history of their origin and miracles associated with them. The Sakalatīrthastavana of Siddharshi,* Viridhatīrthakalpa of Jinaprabhasuria* and the Tīrthamālas written by Vinayaprabhasuri,*10 Saubhāgyavijaya and Sīlavijaya are noteworthy. Some Tīrthamālās and stavanas written on separate holy places such as Jīrāvalā, Nāgdā, Phalodhi, Alwar etc. are found. Chaityaparipātīs written by Jaina teachers are also noticed. This type of literature is especially important for the history of towns.

The Prasastis written at the end of manuscripts by Jaina scholars and the inscriptions engraved on the pedestals of images are full of historical

^{1.} SVRSSG, p. 707. 2. JSSI, pp. 307-08. 3. RB III, No. 2.

^{4.} JSSI, p. 360. 5. RB III, No 2.

Published in Singhi Jaina Series, Vol. 14.
 RJSBGS, p 255.

^{8.} Gackwad's Oriental Series LXXVI, p. 156.

Published in Singhi Jaina Series, Vol. X.
 Jaina Satya Prakāša, XVII, p. 15.

information. For the reconstruction of medieval history of India, they are valuable sources. The Pattāvalīs of the various Samghas and Gachchhas are found written in Sanskrit, Prākrit and Rājasthānī languages. They are very useful for the preparation of religious history.

The historical works written in Rajasthani language are numerous. Muhanota Nainasīrīkhvāta1 is a work of the Jaina Dīvāna Muhanota Nainasī of the Jodhpur state. It is very useful for the medieval history of Rajasthan and of neighbouring provinces. His Gazetteer of the Jodhpur State deals with the history of the kings of this state. Besides, it contains the history of each district and village of Jodhpur state. The poet Dhanapatavijaya wrote the Khumānarāso which describes the history of Mahārāṇās of Udaipur.2 Hemaratna and Labdhodaya composed the Gorābādala and the Padmāvatī ākbyāna respectively.3 The Rathoda Amarasimba kī bata was written by his contemporary Jaina Yati. Rathorom ki Khyata and their Vamsavalis written by Jaina Yatis are also available.5 The Karmachandravamsuprabandha throws some light on the history of Bikaner.6 The Vanisavali written in 1824 A.D. gives us a list of the Kachchāvāha chiefs of Jaipur ruling from 966 A.D. to 1834 A.D.? Col. Tod took the help of the Jaina Yati Gyanachanda in writing the history of Rajasthan.

The works on Politics were also written by Jaina writers. In 1603 A.D., at the persuasion of Rayasimha, the ruling chief of Bikaner, Yati Udayarāja composed Rājanīti dobās.8 The works on Politics found written in Rājasthānī language are Chānakyanītiṭabbā and Nītiprakāsa.9

From the above survey, it is clear that there is a vast Jaina literature in Rajasthan. Most of it is still lying undiscovered in Jaīna Sāstra Bhandāras. Scholars have not so far recognized its value. The Jainas being a commercial class are not attentive to it. Their saints are indifferent to secular subjects and the non-Jainas have no access to it. If it is critically examined and studied, it will be of great service to the Indian literature.

^{1.} It has been edited by Ram Nārāyana Dugad and published by Kashi Nāgarīprachārinī Sabhā in V. S. 1982.

SVRSSG, p. 706. 4. Ibid., p. 708. 3. Ibid.

^{5.} Ibid. 6. Ibid. 7. RJSBGS, p. 26. 9. SVRSSG, p. 707.

^{8.} Hindi Jaina Sähitya kā Samkshipta Itihāsa, p. 132.

CHAPTER VI

JAINA SÄSTRABHANDARAS

In the beginning, the Jainas followed the Brahmanic traditions of handing down knowledge from generation to generation by memory. When literature increased in volume, this was found impossible; and, therefore, the \$J\vec{u}ra\$ style of helping the memory was devised and naturally, it became popular. Even this did not help for long as the literature became still more voluminous. Besides, the multiplicity of books caused complications and uncertainties as to the fundamentals of religion and the books embodying. The difficulties were further enhanced by the death of those who were considered authorities and repositories of ancient true lore. To separate the chaff from the grain, a conference was convened at Valabhi in the fifth century A.D. under Devarddhigani to which a number of leading authorities were invited and the Jaina canons were determined.

Share of the Jaina Mones in Founding Them: The credit for the foundation of these Sästrabhandāras and the preservation of the manuscripts in them goes however to the Jaina monks who realised their great educational value. These monks were persons of great eminence and as such weilded great influence on the masses. They made indefatigable efforts in explaining to the Jaina intelligentsia the importance of the religious texts and the works of the great masters. It is said that Jinabhadrasuri spent the best part of his life in establishing the store-houses of knowledge for the posterity. In early days, only the palm-leaves were used for writing purposes; but soon, paper became a cheap and enough durable material for writing. The preparation of various copies of the manuscripts was done by the scribes working under Jinabhadrasuri in Raiputana. It was through the efforts of such saints that a part of the great treasure-house of the medieval learning was saved to acquaint us with the glories of the people of Rajasthan in the field of art and literature.

During this period, the Chaityavāsīs were firmly established in Rajasthan. The Bhaṭṭārakas and Sripūjyas began to live in temples. It was natural for them to store the religious manuscripts for the preservation and

study. This tendency, by and large, gave rise to the establishment of small Granthabhandaras at different places. Regular arrangements were made for copying the manuscripts. Several scholars possessing good handwriting were employed for this purpose. Besides, other Jaina saints, who stayed at one particular place during the rainy season contributed to some extent to the establishment of these libraries, because they also required manuscripts for their study and learning.

TEMPLES AS THE SEATS OF LEARNING: In early times, Jaina temples were the centres of learning and were also used for imparting education to the students. It, therefore, became necessary to collect books. In these Sästrabhandāras, not only Jaina books relating to the various faiths but also those of secular character were kept for study and reference. This indicates that the Jainas in the middle ages were not narrow minded but understood the importance of an all-comprehensive library.

THE PATRONAGE OF KINGS AND MINISTERS: The great Jaina kings and their ministers partly for the expiation of their sins as also for the study of their religious literature and partly for their own spiritual welfare and that of their departed kith and kin and their subjects, encouraged writing of new books. They also purchased old manuscripts for their presentation to revered teachers. Mahārājā Javasimha Siddharāja, who was a great patron of learning, establised a royal library by getting a large number of manuscripts on different subjects. He got 1,25,000 copies of Siddhahaimavyākarana prepared for presentation to scholars and granthabhandaras of various provinces.1 Kumārapāla established twenty one Sāstrabhandāras in every one of which he placed the copy of the Kalpasūtra in golden ink.2 Among the great ministers of the states, who founded Sastrabhandaras may be mentioned the names of Vastupāla and Pethadaśāha, Mandana and others. Vastupala and Tejapala became interested in founding them on the advice of their teachers Vijayasenasūri and Udayaprabhasūri.8 Pethadasāha, the minister of Mandavagadha, established Sastrabhandaras in seven cities including Abu.4 Even several Jaina statesmen of the former states of Rajasthan are known to have given liberal grants to the Granthabhandaras in medieval times.

^{1.} Prabhūvakacharitra (See Hemachandraprabandha)

Kumārapālaprabandha, pp.96-97.
 Upadešatarangini, p. 142.

Bhāratīya Jaina Śramana Sanskriti Ane Lekhanakalā, p. 92.

CONTRIBUTION OF MERCHANTS AND BANKERS: Actuated by the desire of service to their religion, merchants and bankers got prepared numerous copies of important manuscripts. It is due to their efforts that a large number of manuscripts are found in the Jaina Sästrabhandäras of Rajasthan. It is mentioned in the Viranantizuali that in 1994 A.D., Sangrāma Sonī, a Jaina house-holder, spent lacs of gold moharar in preparation of the Kalpajūra and Kalakāchāryakathā for the benefit of Jaina monks.¹ At the instruction of Jinabhadrasūri of Khatataragachchha, Dhatanāšāha got many copies of palm-leaf manuscripts written for presentation to the Sästrabhandāra of laisalmer.²

WHY SASTRABHANDARAS IN RAJASTHAN HAVE SURVIVED: A large number of manuscripts are found in Rajasthan because this province remained comparatively safer and more secure than other provinces. The Rājput kings offered stiff resistence to the Muslim invaders. Although they accepted the overlordship of the Muslim emperors, they were free in carrying on the administration of their states. Besides, they were great patrons of learning and art. It is for this reason that both art and literature flourished in their reign, and their excellent specimens are preserved in the Grantha-bhandāras even to the present day.

It is difficult to enumerate the Sāstrabhaṇḍāras of Rajasthan because a small Granthabhaṇḍāra is attached to every temple or Upāsarā. The most important of these are the Bhaṇḍāras of Jaisalmer, famous for the collections of palm-leaf manuscripts from the eleventh to the fifteenth century A.D. These Bhaṇḍāras have paper manuscripts dating from the fourteenth to the eighteenth century A.D. Not only manuscripts but they contain gatakās. These gaṭakās were the note books of the literary persons who used to note down the important passages and small interesting works. It is sometimes noticed that manuscripts were not prepared at the place of Bhaṇḍāra but were presented to it from distant corners of the country.

The small Bhandāras contain books mostly on religious topics such as Siddbānta, Pūjā, Pratistitā and Vidbāna. The big Bhandāras are concerned not only with religious books but also manuscripts on secular subjects such as

^{1.} Jainachitrakalpadruma, p 57.

^{2.} Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras, pp. 4, 15, 23, 24, 31, 41 and 42.

astronomy, medicine, grammar and Kāvya. Important works of non-Jaina authors such as Kālidāsa, Bhāravi, Māgha, Tulasīdāsa, Bihārī and Keśava are available in these collections.

These Jaina Bhaṇḍāras are of great importance from literary point of view. Works of different periods written in various languages such as Sanskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramisa, Rājashāni and Hindi are preserved in them. As works written in Apabhramisa language are especially found in abundance in these Bhaṇḍāras, their study is valuable for the Apabramisa literature. Rare manuscripts not only of Jainas but sometimes of non-Jainas are also available in them. Sometimes more than one copies of the manuscript written at different times are noticed in some or other Bhaṇḍāras. These copies are useful for the purpose of editing them in modern times. Most of these libraries have not been classified and catalogued. If this work is done, it will illumine the dark and unexplored corners of ancient and modern Indian languages and literature.

JAINA GRANTHABHANDARAS OF JAISALMER

The Jaina Granthabhandāras¹ of Jaisalmer have been famous throughout India for valuable collections. In 1874 A.D., Dr. BÜHLER and JACOBI visited this place and brought them to light before the scholars. In 1904 A.D., Prof. S. R. BHANDARKAB gave a more detailed account and list of the manuscripts both in the city and within the fort. Mr. C. D. DALAI. visited the place in 1915 A.D. with the purpose of cataloguing the manuscripts of the Bhandāras but unfortunately, he died before he could publish his work. Pt. I. B. GANDHI published the posthumous work. This work is of great importance, but it was felt that the manuscripts housed therein had not been thoroughly examined. Afterwards, Muni JINAYIJAYA, Muni PUNYAVIJAYA and AGARACHANDA NAHATA went to Jaisalmer where they reexamined the Sāstrabhandāras.

(1) BṛṇHAD JÑĀNABHAṇṇĀRA: This Bhaṇḍāra is situated in the basement of the temple of Sambhavanārha. As it was founded by Jinabhadrasūri in 1440 A.D. it is known also as Jinabhadrasūriśāstrabhaṇḍāra. He got a large number of copies written. He also brought palm-leaf manuscripts

^{1.} See Catalogue of MSS in Jaisalmer Bhandaras.

from other places for preservation thinking Jaisalmer to be safe and secure from the Muslim invasions. There are 804 manuscripts written on palm-leaves. The earliest manuscript written on palm-leaves is the Oghaniryakinritti by Dronāchātya in 1060 A.D. This manuscript was copied by Pāhila. The total number of paper manuscripts is 1704. The works written by non-Jaina authors are also in good number. Some of the important manuscripts preserved in this Granthabhaṇdāra are as follows: (1) Chandraprabhaṇāmi-charitra by Yaśodevasūri in 1160 A.D., (2) Paimachariya copied in 1141 A.D., (3) Hitopadelāmrita of Paramānandasūri dated 1253 A.D., (4) Vasudevahindī by Saṅghadāsavāchaka, (5) Śāntinathacharitam by Devachandrasūri, (6) Naishadha-fikā by Vidyādhara, (7) Chhandonutātama by Jayakirtisuri copied in 1135 A.D., (8) Mudārākhananātaka by Višākhadatta copied in 1277 A.D.

- (2) PANCHAYATTBHANDĀRA OF THE KHARATARA GACHCHHA: It is housed in the great Upāsarā. There are about fourteen copies of palm-leaf manuscripts and one thousand copies of paper manuscripts. Among the copies of paper manuscripts, the illustrated copy of the Kalpasūtrasvādlyāya-putikā of 1505 A.D. is noteworthy. In 1781 A.D., Ampitadharma and his pupil Kthamākalyānagani placed several copies. It also contains two painted wooden covers of about the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries A.D. Some rare manuscripts are also preserved such as (1) Nāradīyapurāna copied in 1419 A.D., Uttarādhyayanasūtru with the commentary by Jīñanasāgarasūri copied in 1429 A.D. etc.
- (3) TAPÃOACHOHHABHANDĀRA: There are both palm-leaf and paper manuscripts in this Bhandāra. The number of palm-leaf manuscripts is eight only. Some of the important manuscripts preserved in this Bhandāra are as follows: (1) Harivikramacharitra by Jayatilaka copied in 1358 A.D., (2) Mrīgāvatīcharitra by Maladhāri Devaprabha and Vāsavadattā by Subandhu copied in 1354 A.D.
- (4) LONKĀ-GACHCHHĪYA BHAŅDĀRA: There are about five hundred paper manuscripts and eleven palm-leaf manuscripts. The manuscript of Punyāiranakathānaka composed by Vivekasamudragaņi in 1277 A.D. at Jaisalmer is an important manuscript. This Bhaṇḍāra is also famous by the name of Dūngarasī Bhaṇḍāra.
- (5) THĀHARŪŚĀHABHAŅDĀRA: It was founded in the seventeenth century by Bhanasālī Thāharuśāha who was himself a great scholar. He got

a large number of copies prepared between 1612 A.D. and 1627 A.D. There are about one thousand manuscripts in this Bhaṇḍāra. Only four are on palm-leaves and the rest on paper.

JAINA SÄSTRABHANDÄRAS OF BIKANER

There are about fifty thousand manuscripts in the Sāstrabhaṇdāras of Bikaner.¹ They contain several copies which are not available at any other place. They have been written in different languages such as Sanskrit, Prākrit, Hindī, Apabhramsa, Gujarātī, Rājasthānī, Urdu, Persian, Marāṭhī, Bengali etc. Besides, numerous artistic pieces such as old pictures and Vijnaptipatras are preserved there.

(1) BRIHDJNANABHANDARA: It has been placed in the Bada Upāsarā in the Rāngdīkāchauka. It was established by the special efforts of Yati Himatūjī in 1901 A.D. There are nine collections presented by nine individuals. The total number of manuscripts in it is about 10,000. (a) Mahimābhaktibhundāra: It is the collection of Mahimābhakti, grand pupil of Kshamākalyana. It contains rare and important copies of manuscripts. About three thousand manuscripts are preserved in eighty nine bundles. (b) Dānasāgarabhandāra: Himatūjī, the founder of Brihadyñānabhandāra, named it after his master. About three thousand manuscripts are preserved in sixty eight bundles. (c) Vardhamānabhandāra: There are about one thousand manuscripts in forty three bundles. (d) Abhayasimhabhandāra: The twenty three bundles of it contain about five hundred manuscripts. (e) Iinaharshasūribhandāra; About three hundred manuscripts are preserved in twenty seven bundles. (f) Abīr ajībbandāra: There are about five hundred manuscripts. (g) Bbavanabhaktıbhandāra: There are about five hundred manuscripts in fourteen bundles. (h) Rāmachandrabhandāra: It contains about three hundred manuscripts in nine bundles. (i) Maharachandrabhandāra: It contains about one hundred manuscripts in eight bundles.

(2) Srīpujvabhanpāra: It is placed in Baḍā Upāsarā of Bṛihatkharatara-gachchha. It contains two collections. In the collection of Srīpujva about 2500 manuscripts in 85 bundles are preserved. Besides, it possesses about 2000 printed books. The other collection is of

^{1.} Bikanera Jaina Lekha Samgraha, pp. 60-73.

Chaturbhuja Yati in which eight hundred manuscripts in fourteen bundles are preserved.

- (3) SRĪ JAINA LARSHMĪ MOHANA JĀĀNABHAŅDĀRA: It is situated in the Rāṇgdikā Chauka. It was founded by Mohanalāla, the reacher of Upādhyāya Jayachanda, in 1894 A.D. It contains about three thousand copies in 121 hundles.
- (4) KSHAMĀKALYĀŅABHAŅDĀRA: This Bhandāra is housed in the Upāšraya of Suganajī. It contains about seven hundred manuscripts. Among them, the Gurvāvalī of the Kharataragachchha is of considerable importance as it is rarely found at other places.
- (5) UPĀŚRAYABHAŅDĀRA: It is situated in Boharā kī Serī near Rāngadī. There are about eight hundred manuscripts in twenty three bundles.
- (6) CHHATTĪBĀĪ UPĀŚRAYABHAŅĀRA: It is placed in the Upāśraya of Chhattībāī, situated in Nāhato kī Guvāḍa. About three hundred manuscripts are available here.
- (7) PANNĪBĀĪ UPĀŚRAYABHAŅŅĀRA: This Upāśraya is situated at the back of Chhattibāī Upāśraya. About three hundred manuscripts are preserved there.
- (8) COLLECTION OF MAHOPĀDHYĀYA RĀMALĀLA: There are about five hundred manuscripts.
- (9) KHARATARĀCHĀRYAŚĀKHĀ BHAŅŅĀRA: About two thousand manuscripts are available in it.
- (10) HEMACHANDASŪRI PUSTAKĀLAYA: It is placed in the Upāśraya of Pāyachandagachchha situated in the Bāṇthiyonkl Guvāḍa. About twelve hundred manuscripts are preserved here.
- (11) Kuśālachandagaņi Pustakālaya: It is situated at the Guvāḍa of Rāmapuriyā. There are about four hundred fifty manuscripts. It has also a good collection of printed books.
- (12) COLLECTION OF YATI MOHANALĀLA: It is placed in the Upāśraya of Lonkā-gachchha situated at the Guvāda of Surānās.
- (13) COLLECTION OF YATI LACHCHHĪRĀMA: There are some important manuscripts in the possession of Yati Lachchhīrāma.

- (14) BHANDĀBA IN THE UPĀŚBAYA OF KOCHARAS: It is situated at the Guvāḍa of the Kocharas. There are thirty bundles containing about eigth hundred manuscripts.
- (15) COLLECTION OF YATI JAYAKABANA: There are about two hundred fifty manuscripts in it.
- All the above Bhandāras are placed in the Upāsaras. Besides, there are Sāstrabhandāras in possession of the individual Srāvakas.
- (16) ABHAYA JAINA GRANTHĀLAYA: It was established by Sankaradāna Nāḥaṭā in memory of his second son Abhayarāja. There are about fifteen thousand manuscripts and five hundred guṭabār. Besides, letters of Āchāryas, Yatis and kings, special documents, the pañthāngas written from 1644 A.D. upto the present day and the Vaintāvatīs of the Osavālas are found. It is also attached to Nāḥaṭā Kalā Bhayana, in which there are old pictures, illustrated Vijāṇaptiṇatras, painted clothes and old coins.
- (17) SETHIYA LIBRARY. About one thousand five hundred manuscripts and ten thousand printed manuscripts are available here.
- (18) GOVINDA PUSTAKĀLAYA: It is situated in Nāhaṭā kī Guvāḍa and was founded by Govinda-rāma Bhikamachanda Bhaṇasālī. About 1700 manuscripts and 1200 printed books are found in this Bhaṇḍāra.
- (19) COLLECTION OF MOTICHANDA KHĀJĀŇCHĪ: It was established by Motichanda Khājānchī, son of Premakaraṇa Khājānchī. The number of manuscripts in it is about 6000.
- (20) COLLECTION OF MANAMALA KOTHĀRĪ: About 300 manuscripts and 2000 printed books are there.

Besides, there are the collections of Mangala Chanda Mālu, Bhan-waralāla Rāmapuriyā, Mangalachanda Jhābaka and Gopālasinha Vaidya. About 1500 Jaina manuscripts are also preserved even in the well-known Anūpa Sanskrit library. All the above Jaina Sāstrabhandāras are in the city proper but there are a number of Jaina Sāstrabhandāras even in the neighbouring towns of Bikaner.

(21) SÄSTRABHANDÄRA OF GANGÄŚAHARA: Gangäśahara is situated at a distance of two miles from Bikaner. About 300 manuscripts are preserved in this Bhandära which is under the control of the Jaina Svetämbarī Terăpanthi Sabhā.

- (22) Two LIBRARIES OF CHŪRU: There are two libraries at this place. The collection placed in the Badž Upžsarž of Yati Ridhakarana contains about 200 manuscripts. The other library known as Surānā Library is one of the big libraries of the State. The number of manuscripts in it is about 2500. Palm-leaf manuscripts and illustrated copies of several manuscripts are preserved.
- (23) OSAVĀLA LIBRARY OF RĀJAGAŅHA: There are six bundles containing about 200 manuscripts in the Osavāla Library.
- (24) SARADĀRA-SAHARA LIBRARY: There is a good collection in the building of Viradhīchanda Gadhaiyā. About 73 bundles containing numerous manuscripts are in possession of the Terāpanthī Sabhā. Dulichanda Sethiyā of this place also possesses several hundred manuscripts.

Besides, the small Jaina libraries are found at Bhīnāsara, Desaņoka, Kālu, Nohara, Sūratagaḍha, Hanumānagaḍha, Rājaladesara, Ratanagaḍha, Bidāsara, Chhāpara, Sujānagaḍha and Riṇi.

RARE MANUSCRIPTS OF THE BHANDARAS

There are several rare manuscripts found in the above Bhandāras. The Prabadhasidahi of Pāšupatāchārya and the Vameivaradhvajapratjūsgājagya of Mūlaka are on palm-leaf. Bhānuchandrascharitra of Siddhichandra, Kharataragachchba-garnāvalī of Jinapālopādhyāya, Vādidavasūricharitra, different Pattāvalīs of Kharatara-gachchha, Lonkā-gachchha, Badā-gachchha etc. of the different authors. Jayatatīrāta, Rasavilāta, Vachchbavatavanizvalī, Jinabhatasūrirāta, Jinapatisūrirāsa, Jinapatisūrirāsa, Jinapatisūrirāsa, Jinapatisarirāsa, Jinapatisarirāsa and Vijayasinhasūrirāsa are works of historical importance.

There arc certain rate Sansktit Jana Kāvyas namely the Sūrasvatollā-sakūrya by the pupil of Nandiatana, Choudradiitakūrya by Vimalakītti, Habisadata by Munisasuri, Viduatprabodha by Srīvallabha, Vairūgyašataka by the pupil of Indranandisuri, Ramasiimhacharitra by Muni Soma, Priyavilāta by Sumativijaya, Pakelatīribūtava by Surachandragani, Ajitaprabhucharitra by Devānandasuri, Dhormadiita by Pratishthāsoma, Siihhātamadsūriimištēta by Rājavallabha and Junasiihhapadotsavakūvya by Samayasundara. The Sanskrit commentaries both on the Jaina and non-Jaina works found in these Bhandāras

are not available at other places. The Uttaralbyayanavritti by Harshanandana, Kalpasŭtravritti by Ajitadevasūri, Nandīsūtravritti by Jayadayāla, Vāgbbatūlukūravritti by Samayasundara and Nemidūtavritti are noteworthy among them.

JAINA BHANDĀRAS OF JAIPUR

A large number of Jaina Bhandāras¹ with old manuscripts are found attached to Jaina temples in Jaipur city. In later medieval times, several Jaina scholars such as Todaramalla, Gumānirāma and Jayachanda Chhābara. dedicated themselves to the cause of learning and contributed to the growth of Bhandāras. Besides, several Jainas acted as Dīvānas of the state. Some of them constructed Jaina temples and equipped them with Sāstrabhandāras.

- (1) ĀMERA SĀSTRABHŅDĀRA: Āmera Sāstrabhaṇdāra² was situated previously in Amber city, the old capital of the former Jaipur state but now it has been shifted to Mahāvīrabhavana at Jaipur. This Sāstrabhaṇdāra was known in the eighteenth century A.D. by the name of Bhṛāraka Devendrakīrti Sāstrabhaṇdāra. Bhaṭṭāraka Devendrakīrti must have greatly patronized it. There are 2705 manuscripts and 150 gudabās. The earliest manuscript in this Sāstrabhaṇdāra is the Ultarapurāna written by Mahākavi Pushpadanta in Apabhranīsa language. This manuscript was copied in 1334 A.D. at Delhi during the reign of Muhammad Tughluq. This Bhaṇḍāra is especially valuable for the study of Apabhranīsa literature. There are several rare manuscripts like Sāskalavidhinidhāna of Nayanandi, Pārḥrapurāna of Padmakītti and a Sanskrit commentary on Kirālārjunīya by Prakāšavarṣa.
- (2) SĀSTRABHAŅĀRA OF BAŊĀMANDIRA: This Sāstrabhaṇḍāra³ is situated in the Digambara Jaina Terāpanthī Mandira at Gheewālon kā Rāstā. It is one of the biggest Sāstrabhaṇḍāras of Jaipur city having 2630 manuscripts and 324 gratakār. The Paātchārstrāŋa, a famous work of Achārya Kundakunda written in Prākrit, is the earliest manuscript. It was copied in 1272 A.D. at Delhi. An illustrated copy of Ādipurāna dated 1340 A.D. is the noteworthy manuscript of this Bhaṇḍāra. It has 538 coloured pictures fully based on the text. Some rare manuscripts have been also discovered in this Bhaṇḍāra.

The Jaina Bhandaras of Jaipur division have been described with the help of the thesis of Shri Kastur Chandi Kasalivala.

Āmera Śāstrabhaṇḍāra Jaipur kī (Irantha Sūchī.

^{3.} RJSBS, II (Int.)

There are two copies of Sanskrit commentaries on the Jambūsvāmīcharita and Paumachairya respectively found in this Bhaṇḍāra. The Harinamlapurāņa of Dhavala, an author of the tenth century A.D., is available. There is a rich collection of Hindi works also. The Chambīsī, a Hindi work composed in 1314 A.D. by Kavi Delha, has been discovered.

- (3) GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF PĀŅDYĀ LŪŅAKARAŅAJĪ: This Granthabhandāra¹ was established by Pāṇdyā Luṇakaraṇa in the temple called fiter him. There are 807 manuscripts and 225 gutadēzī in this collection. The earliest manuscript of this Bhaṇḍāra is the Paramālmaprakāla written in 1350 a.D. There is an illustrated copy of the Yaladbaracharitra of Sakalakirti. Manuscripts concerned with Jyotisha, Äyurveda and mantrakāstra are also preserved.
- (4) Sāstrabhanpāra of Dulichanda: This Granthabhandāra was established in 1854 A.D. by Srī Dulichanda who was well versed in Hindi and Sanskrit. He translated about 15 works in Hindi and also wrote a description about his travel called Jainayātrādarpana. There are about 850 manuscripts written in Sanskrit and Hindi in this Bhandāra. The subjects dealt within the manuscripts are mainly religion, parāna, kathā, charitra etc.
- (5) Sāstrabhaņdāra of Jaina Temple Badhichanda. It was founded in 1738 a.d. on the completion of the temple of Badhichanda. It was founded in 1738 a.d. on the completion of the temple by Badhichanda, Dīvāna of Jaipur state. There are 1278 manuscripts including gutakās. The earliest manuscript available in the Granthabhaṇdāra is commentary on Vardhamāyakātya which is a tare work written in 1424 a.d. Besides, there are other manuscripts of importance. Some of them are still unpublished and others are rare ones. The Harivainlapurāna, an Apabhrainsa work of Mahākavi Svayambhū, is a rare manuscript in this collection. The Pradynumacharita, a Hindi work of Sadhāru, composed in 1354 a.d. is also available in this Bhaṇḍāra. Gutakāi of this Bhaṇḍāra possess some rare works of Hindi scholars. About twenty works of Ajayarāja Pāṣanī, a scholar of the eighteenth century a.b., have been traced out in this Bhaṇḍāra.
- (6) GRANTHABHANDARA OF THOLIYA JAINA TEMPLE: This temple is situated in the Gheewälon kā Rāstā. There are 658 manuscripts

^{1.} RJSBGS, II (Int.).

and 125 gutakās. The earliest manuscript available in this Bhandāra is a commentary of Dravyssanigraha by Brahmadeva. It was written in 1395 A.D. during the reign of Firozshah at Delhi. There is one manuscript namely Piijāsanigraha in which coloured paintings of manulals have been given.

- (7) Granthabhandāra cof Jaina Temple, Patodi: The temple in which this Bhandāra exists is situated in Chaukadī Modikhānā of the city. The total number of manuscripts in the Bhandāra is 2257 and the gatakū are 306 in number. The Bhakūaratītotra and the Taitvārībaiūtra are found on palm-leaves. Some maps of Jambūdvīpa, Adhāīdvīpa and of some Yantas are found on cloth. The earliest manuscript available in the Bhandāra is Jasaharakarīū of Pushpadanta, an Apabhramās writer of the tenth century A.D. This manuscript was copied in 1350 A.D. Among small works of Hindi, Jinadatachaupāī of Kavi Ralha composed in 1297 A.D. is one of the earliest manuscripts.
- (8) CHANDRAPRABHU SARASVATĪ BHAŅDĀRA: This Bhaṇḍāra is found in the Jaina temple of Dīvāna Amarachandajī who was a prominent Dīvāna of the former Jaipur state in the nineteenth century A.D. This temple is situated in the Lālajī Sāṇḍa Kā Rāstā, Chaukaḍī Modī Khānā. There are 830 manuscripts out of which about 350 are incomplete. This is a rich collection of Sanskrit manuscripts. The Kārttikoyānupruktibā dated 1563 A.D. iš the earliest written manuscript. Most of the manuscripts belong to the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.
- (9) SÄSTRABHANDĀRA OF JORANERA TEMPLE: A SÄSTRABHAŅĀRA OF JORANERA TEMPLE: A SÄSTRABHAŅĀRA OF JORANERA TEMPLE: A SÄSTRABHAŅĀRA OF JORANERA TEMPLE: A SĀSTĀ Chāndapola bazar contains about 340 manuscripts including the gytakāz. Sanskrit manuscripts are more in number than those of Hindi. Generally, manuscripts range between seventeenth and nineteenth centuries. The important manuscripts are as follows:—(1) Sabhāsāramātaka of Raghurāja in Hindi, (2) Aħyanārāta of Sāntikuśala composed in 1603 A.D. (3) Bihārītatasaī of Bihārītāla written in 1716 A.D. and Raghwamāta by Kālidāsa copied in 1623 A.D. Besides, there is a copy of Sangrabamītāra of the eighteenth century A.D.
- (10) PĀRŚVANĀTHA DIGAMBARA JAINA SARASVATĪ BHAVANA: It contains 550 manuscripts including the guṭakāṭ. The manuscripts written in Sanskrit language are numerous. The Nalodayakāṇya of Māṇikyasūri copied

- in 1388 A.D. is the oldest manuscript in this Bhandāra. A copy of the Pratisthfapatha of Aśādhara was written on cloth in 1459 A.D. This is the earliest manuscript so far found on cloth in the Sāstrabhandāras of Jaipur city. The Yaiodharabaritra is an illustrated manuscript copied in 1743 A.D. It contains thirty illustrations based on a story of the work. The Ajitanathaparāna is a rare Apabhramisa work written by Vijayasimha in 1448 A.D. It deals with the life of Ajitanātha.
- (11) SĀSTRABHAŅDĀRA OF GODHA TEMPLE: There are 616 manuscript and 102 gutakās in the SĀStrabhaḍdāra of Godhā temple. The earliest manuscript is Bribāthatbātkoša written by Srutasāgara in Sanskrit. This manuscript was copied in 1429 A.D. for presentation to Manḍalāchārya Dharmakīrti. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—(1) Vimalanāthapurāņa by Arunamani composed in 1617 A.D. in Sanskrit, (2) Holikā-chanḥāī composed by Dūnġara in 1572 A.D. in Hindi, (3) Pahchakajūnapātha composed by Harachand in Hindi in 1773 A.D. (4) Sundaratringāra of Sundarakavi composed in 1631 A.D. and (4) A Brijabhāshā commentary written by some poet in 1723 A.D. at Agra on Bibārītadatar.
- (12) SVETĀMBARA JAINA GRANTHABHAŅŅĀRA, JAIPUR: There is a big Bhaṇḍāra having three thousand five hundred manuscripts placed in the Jaina Upāsarā situated in Kundigaron kā Bhaintuji kā Rāstā. The earliest manuscript in this Bhaṇḍāra is the Ananlachulryāsūtra copied im 1428 A.D. Some of the old manuscripts ate (1) Āchārāngahālāvabadha copied in 1452 A.D. and (2) Partramāthacharitra copied in 1447 A.D.
- (13) GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF NAVĀMANDIRA: This Granthabhandāra has been placed in the Jaina temple of Baitāḥiyan in the Motīsirihia Bhomiyā kā Rāsāt. There are 150 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript in the Granthabhandāra is the Chandraprabhacharitra copied in 1467 A.D. It contains also some important manuscripts namely Risbimandalastotra, Risbimandalapinā, Nirvānakānda and Aitābnikājayamālā. They are written in golden ink and their borders are artistically disigned and embroidered. These manuscripts are remarkable for border decorations representing various kinds of floral designs and geometrical patterns. Beautiful illustrations of creepers have been given.
- (14) GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF CHANDHARIYON KĀ MANDIRA: There are only 108 manuscripts in the Sāstrabhandāra of this temple situated in the

Chhājūlāla Sāha kī Galī Chaukaḍī Modī Khānā. These manuscripts are written in Hindi and Sanskrit languages.

- (15) Sāstrabhanpāra of Kālāchhābarā Jaina Temple: There are 410 manuscripts in the Sāstrabhandāra of Kālāchhābarā Jaina temple. These manuscripts deal with the subjects like religion, Purāņa, Kathā, Pājā and stotra. The gutakās, which are 106 in number, contain a good collection of Hindi works written by laina and non-laina authors.
- (86) SÄSTRABHANDĀRA OF MEGHARAJAJI TEMPLE: It is a small collection of 249 manuscripts. It is concerned with the subjects like $P\bar{n}j\bar{a}$, $Pm\bar{a}na$, stotra etc.
- (17) SARASVATI BHAVANA OF JAINA TEMPLE YAŚODĀNANDAJĪ: This Bhaṇḍāra was established by Yati Yaśodānandajī in about 1791 A.D. The total number of manuscripts and gutakās is 353 and 45 respectively. Most of these manuscripts are related to Pūjā, Stotra and Purāna. The Paṭṣīwalīs of the emperors of Delhi and Hindi songs written in praise of Bhaṭṭāraka Dharmakīrti are worth mentioning.

Besides, there are some collections in the possession of Sripūjya Dharmendrasūri, Yati of Pārśvachandra Gachchha, Lucknow Sakhā and Yati Syāmalāla.

Sāstrabhaṇṇāra, sīkar: In the Jaina temple called Baḍāmandira of Bīsapanthīs at Sikar, there is a good collection of manuscripts. The total number of manuscripts is 532, written in different languages.

JAINA SĀSTRABHAŅDĀRAS DAUSĀ: There are two Jaina temples possessing separate Bhaṇḍāras. The Sāstrabhaṇḍāra of Bīsapanthīs Mandira contains only 177 manuscripts including the gytakāt. Most of the manuscripts are written in Hindi. The Vilhandatikalīprahandba is a fine work of the seventeenth century A.D. with Hindi commentary by the poet Sāraṇṇa. The work runs both in Sanskrit and Hindi. Another Sāstrabhaṇḍāra contains only 150 manuscripts. The manuscript of Chaturdalagunathāna is a rare one, written by Akhayarāja in Hindi prose.

SÄSTRABHANDÄRA OF MAUJAMÄBÄDA: There are about four hundred manuscripts written in Sanskrit, Präkrit, Apabhranisa and Hindi. The earliest manuscript is the *Pravarhanasira* of Kundakunda copied in the fifteenth century A.D. There are three copies of *Jasabarachariu* of Pushpadanta

fully illustrated. Some rare and important manuscripts are also found in this Bhandāta. The Buddhirasīyana of Jinavara is found written in Hindi. The Paduharia of Munikanakamala, Kathīsaingraha of Vijayachandra, Nemicharitra of Pushpadanta and Kalyāṇavihāṇa have been written in Apabhramās. The Nāgakumāracharitra of Brahmanemidatta and the fṛntabhīvanādīpaka are found in Sanskrit and the Rāvaṇadohī is in Prākrit The other important manuscripts are Kathīkaba of Brahmasādhāraṇa, pupil of Narendrakīrti, Ajitapurāṇa of Vijayasimha, Mārgapadelarīvachāchāra of Jinadeva, Nyāyagranthachanbūīṭhānā of Siddhasenssūti, Aborātrikāchāra of Āšādhara, Hamisainprekshā of Ajitabrahma, Amritatārā, Sbat-drawaminrayaviwarana, Gammatatārabānihāt etc.¹

Sastrabhandāra of Bhādavā: Bhādavā is a village near Phulera junction station. Here is a small Sāstrabhandāra having 130 manuscripts and 20 gutakās. Though there is no rare manuscript, the copies of the following manuscripts are important: (1) Dharmavilāta by Dyānatarāya in Hindi, (2) Ratnakarandasrāvakāzhāra by Sadāsukha Kāsalīvāla in Hindi, (3) Jhānārnavabhāsbā by Labdhivijayagani in Hindi, (4) Brahmavilāta by Bhajyā Bhagavatīdāsa in Hindi, (5) Dharmavabadashāra by Oharmadāsa in Hindi, (6) Dobādataka by Rūpachanda and (7) Upadelapachebīvā by Rāmadāsa.

JAINA JÑĀNABHAŅĀRA OF JHUNJHUNU: The total number of manuscripts in this Bhaṇḍāra is 310. Most of the manuscripts are written in Hindi. The three important manuscripts of this Bhaṇḍāra are (1) Albaya-kumārachanpār by Yugapradhāna Jinachandrasūri (2) Pañchasandhī by Hemarāja and (3) Hansarājawabchbarājachanpār by Tīkamachanda. There are also 500 manuscripts in the Upāsarā of Yati Kharatara-gachchha.

Sāstrabhandāra of Fatehapur: The Agravāla Jaina temple of Fatehapur was a seat of the Bhaṭṭārakas who collected a large number of manuscripts for this Bhaṭṭāraka. It contains about 400 manuscripts. One of them is the biggest gntakā with one lac ślokas. It was completed by Jīvanarāma in 1860 a.d. at Fatehapur. Most of the works belong to the eighteenth century.

RĀJAMAHĀLA JAINA SĀSTRABHAŅDĀRA: SĀSTRABhaṇḍāra of this place possesses a collection of 255 manuscripts including gutakās. Some of

^{8.} Anekānta XIII, p. 81.

the important and rare manuscripts are as follows: (1) Karakanduno rāso by Brahma Jinadīsa, (2) Prainottaratrāvakāchāra by Sakalakitti copied in 1540 A.D., (3) Holīkatbā by Muni Subhachandra composed in 1697 A.D. and (4) Indriyanālaka by Triloka Pātanī written in 1841 A.D.

JAINA SÄSTRABHANDĀRA MĀLAPURĀ: There is a small collection of manuscripts numbering 30 in the Jaina Granthabhandāra Chaudhariyoā kā temple. The Pārihonatharāso composed by Brahmakapūrachandra in 1540 A.D. is a rare manuscript. In the Granthabhandāra of the Jaina temple of Ādinātha, Kihetrapalavinati by Muni Subhachandra and Hindīpadat by Harshakirti are rare manuscripts. There is also a collection of 74 manuscripts in the Terāvanthi Mandira.

GRANTHABHANDĀBA OF SRĪ MAHĀVĪRAJI: This place remained a seat of the Bhaṭṭārakas. It possesses 515 manuscripts including the guṭakās. The manuscripts range from the fifteenth to the nineteenth centuries. Most of the manuscripts of this Bhaṇḍāra are related to ritual and worship. It is under the management of Srī Digambara Jaina Atiśayakshetra Srī Mahāviraiī.

SĀSPRABHAŅŅĀRAS OF BHARAPUR: The Sāstrabhaṇāra of the Panchāyatī Mandira has a rich collection of manuscripts. The total number of manuscripts is 801 and the earliest dated manuscript is Bribat-tapāgachthagurvāvalī by Muni Sundarasūri copied in 1433 A.D. Most of the manuscripts are in Hindi language. The Saptanyatanakathā composed by Māṇikachandra in 1577 A.D. in Apabhraṅṣa is a rare work. Apart from this, some of the important manuscripts are as follows: (1) Sabhābhāthama by Gaṇārāma composed in 1717 A.D. in Hindi. (2) Padasangraha by Harsha in Hindi. (3) Jinadattacharitrabhātha by Viśvabhushaṇa in Hindi. (4) Sukbavilāra by Jodharāja Kāsalivāla in Hindi prose. There is a manuscript which deals with the playing of chess. The illustrated manuscript named Bhaktāmarastotra copied in 1712 A.D. has 51 well-coloured illustrations. There is also another Sāstrabhaṇḍāra in the Jaina temple of Phozurāma situated at Koṭawālī market. It contains 65 manuscripts including gaṭakās. The Tattvārthasitra composed in 1878 A.D. in Hindi prose is a rare manuscript.

SASTRABHANDARAS OF DEEG: Deeg is 25 miles from Bharatpur. There are 81 manuscripts in the Sastrabhandara of Panchayatimandira of this

place. Majority of the manuscripts are in Hindi, and they belong to the eigteenth and nineteenth centuries. A manuscript named Mallianthacharitra in Hindi by Sevārāma Pāṭanī, the native of this place, is an original copy written by the author himself in 1793 A.D. There is also a collection of manuscripts in the Sāstrabhandāra of the temple of Badīpaāchāyatī. Manuscripts of this Bhandāra belong to a period between the fifteenth and the seventeenth centuries. The oldest manuscript named Bhaganatīstitra written at Māndalgarh belonged to 1454 A.D. There are also copies of the important manuscripts such as \$\int Apadrainansismuchchya of Rājahamsa in Sanskrit, Bhavaisadattacharin by Srīdhara in Apabhranisa, \$\int Immidiasana\$ of Guṇabhadra and limbhispāmīcharitra by Sakalakīti in Sanskrit.

The Granthabhaṇḍāra in the Jaina temple of old Deeg contains 101 manuscripts. Some of the manuscripts are very rare. The Sanskrit work named Vikvamacharitra of Rāmachandrasūri composed in 1423 AD is not generally available in other Bhaṇḍāras except here. A copy of the Jinagunavilāsa of Nathamala was composed in 1765 AD in Hindi. The Bhramaragīta of Mukundadāsa is noteworthy. The Hindi translation of Vasimandītrāvakā-chāra composed in 1850 AD at Amber is also one of the new manuscripts. The Chanbīsī Tīrthamkarapīŋā composed by Chunnīlāla in Hindi in 1857 AD. is a rare manuscript.

SĀSTRABHAŅDĀRAS OF KAMĀ: There is a good collection of 578 manuscripts including gutakār in the Jaina Sāstrabhaṇdāra of Khaṇdelawāla Jaina Mandira Kāmā. Some of the important manuscripts, which deserve mention, are as follows: (1) Pāṇḍaracharitra by Devaprabhasūri in Sanskrit copied in 1997 A.D. (2) A commentary on the Ātmānuātāsma in Sanskrit by Prabhāchandra. (3) A commentary on the Ātmānuātāsma in Sanskrit by Prabhāchandra. (3) A commentary on Samayasaru made by Subhachandra in Sanskrit in 1516 A.D. (4) Jimarātīsīpratamābātmya dated 1480 A.D. in Sanskrit by Muni Padmanandi. (5) Prabadbachintāmami by Rājašekhara copied in 1348 A.D. (6) Datalakībanakathā by Harichanda in Apabhranīsā ated 1467 A.D. (7) Dharmapahāchanimlatār in Apabhranīsā by Bramhajinadāsa containing 26 gāthās is a rare manuscript. (8) The Pārshapnrāna of Padmakīrti was written in 1517 A.D. for presenting it to Muni Natendrakītī. (9) Sangrabanīātranhāchā was translated in Rājasthānī prose by Dayāhamsagaṇi. (10) Yalastilaka Chaupār by Somadevasūri was copied in 1403 A.D. (11) Almapraboda by Kumārakavi

was copied in 1490 A.D. at Srīpathānagara. This manuscript is important as it mentions another name of Bayānā as Srīpathānagara. The guṇaka No. 331 of this Bhaṇḍāra is also of some significance as it comprises several Hindi works written in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries by various authors.

There is also a small Sāstrabhaṇḍāra in Agravāla Panchāyatīmandira, Kāmā. It contains only 105 manuscripts. The *Pradynmnacharita* dated 1254 A.D. is incomplete.

Sastrabhandara of Bayanā: The total number of the manuscripts is 150, out of which Hindi manuscripts are in majority. The following manuscripts of this Granthabhandāra deserve mention: (1) I'ratavubhānapnīr by Amarachanda Luhādiyā in Hindi. (2) Chandraprubhaparāna composed by Jinendrabhushana in 1794 a.d. in Hindi. (3) Bāhubalieharitra by Kumudachandra composed in 1410 a.d. in Hindi. (4) Neminātbukā Chhanda by Hemachandra, pupil of Srībhushana. (5) Nemirājulagīta by Gunachandra and (6) Udaragīta by Chhībala.

The Sāstrabhaṇḍāra of the Terāpanthi Mandira at Bayānā is also systematic. There are 153 manuscripts including gutakās in the Sāstrabhaṇḍāra. The following rare manuscripts are preserved in this Granthabhaṇḍāra: (1) Shaḍatakāranamrataḍrāpamapiŋā by Sumati Sāgara in Sanskrit. (2) Līlāratībbāshā by Lālachandasūri. (3) Tattrārībasūtrabbīsthā by Sevārāma Pāṭanī. (4) Aksharabīranam by Pande Keṣavaḍāsa composed in 1670 A.B.

SÄNTRABHANDÄRAS OF JAINA TEMPLES, VAIR Vaira is an old town about 15 miles from Bayānā. The Jaina temples of this place possess a fine collection of manuscripts. The Sästrabhandāra situated in the Digambara Jaina Mandira contains 120 manuscripts. The number of gutakās is more than that of manuscripts. They contain good collection of Hindi and Sanskrit works. The Granthabhandāra of Pamehāyatimandira possesses 227 manuscripts, out of which the number of gutakās is 44. The 1 ārangacharitm composed by Tejapāla in Apabharanisa language is a rare manuscript. There are also 87 manuscripts in the Sogānī Jaina temple.

GRANTHABHANDĀRAS OF ALWAR There are seven Bhandāras in the city having 616 manuscripts. The Tatnārthusutts and the Bhaktāmarastitru have been written in golden ink. The Implasīgara was composed on Āvurveda under the patronage of Mahārājā Pratāpasiniha.

Sastrehandara of Dūni: Dūni is a town 12 miles from Tonk. The Bhandara of this place contains about 143 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript is Jinadattakathā in Sanskrit, copied in 1443 A.D. Most of the manuscripts are found in Hindi. Among them, the works of Vidyāsāgata such as Solahaswapna, (2) Jinajanmamahotsava, (3) Saptavyasanatavaiyū (4) Vishāpahārashhaphaya are remarkable. The Jhūlnā of Tanušāha in Hindi is also a rare work written in various metres and deals with several topics. Rājula kā Bārahamāsa of Gangakavi is not very common.

Granthabhandāras of Todārātsingh: Todārātsingh remained a great literary centre of the Jainas in early times. Various copies of the manuscripts were written at this place. At present, there are two Granthabhandāras in the Jaina temples of Ādinātha and Pārśvanātha with manuscripts 246 and 105 respectively. The Hindi manuscripts are fairly in large number. The Chaturuintatistavana dates back to 1392 A.D. The other notable manuscripts are (1) Chaturuidhānakaviita by Jīānasāgara. (2) Numītvaraphāga by Vidāyanandi composed in 1583 A.D. (3) Trilokasūratīkā by Mādhavachanda Trivaidya copied in 1443 A.D. and (4) Pravachanārātikā by Prabhāchandra.

Sastrabhandars of Basawā: Basawā is an old town and tehsil headquarter of Alwar District. It was a birth place of some Jaina Hindi scholars. Several manuscripts found in Jaina Bhandāras of Jaipur were copied in Basawā. There are separate §āstrabbandāras in Jaina temples of Terāpanthī and Panchāyatī. The manuscripts of these Bhandāras belong to a period between fifteenth and eighteenth centuries. The manuscripts of Hindi and Prāktit are in a large number. The Samayasīravritti of Amṛitachandra is the earliest manuscript copied in 1383 A.D. There are some memorable manuscripts. The illustrated copy of the Kalpasūtra written in golden-ink in 1470 A.D. has 39 paintings on the life of Lord Mahāvīta. Another illustrated copy of the Kalpasūtra is dated 1471 A.D. with 42 paintings. The Padmanadimārākāvatīrā is a commentary written by Kaviprahalāda in Sanskrit on the original work named Padmanandipārchavinhati. The Malayasındarīcharita by Jayatilakasūti in Sanskrit was copied in 1433 A.D. The Albayakumāraprabandbacbaupāī written in Hindi in 1628 A.D. is a tare work.

Granthabhandara of Jaina Temple, Badā Dhadā Ajmer: The Granthabhandara of the Jaina temple Badā Dhadā is one of the important Bhandāras of Rajasthan. It contains about 3000 manuscripts written in different languages. The Samayasāraprābpīja is the earliest written manuscript copied in 1406 A.D. Most of the manuscripts belong to a period between the fifteenth century and the eighteenth century A.D. This shows that this Bhandāra remained a literary centre during these centuries. Manuscripts on the subjects like Ayurveda, Jyotisha, and Mantrašāstra are found in abundance. Some of the important and rare manuscripts in Sanskrit found in this Bhandāra are as follows: (1) Adhy.ītmarabasya by Āṣādhara. (2) Jītasārasamuchēbaya by Vīṣhabbhanandi. (3) Samādhimaranotsusus. (4) Dīpiār by Sakalakītu and (5) Chārpatālataka by Chārpata. In Prākrit and Apabhranisa also, some useful manuscripts such as Prākrit commentary on Gommatasīra, (6) Pingaluchaturvimisatirāpaka and Pāsacharya by Tejapāla have been preserved. In Hindi and Rājasthānī languages, Buddbiprukāta and Vītālakārtigīra by Delhā, Dharmakārtagīta by Vūcharāja, Snbhāmuchariua by Upādhyāya Vinayasāgara and Jāntpunāva by Thākura written in the sixteenth century are of significance.

GRANTHABHANDĀRAS OF BEAWAR: The well-known Sāstrabhandāra of Ailaka Pannālāla Digambara Jaina Sarasvatī Bhavana was founded by Ailaka Pannālāla in 1935 A.D. It stores approximately 4000 manuscripts in different languages. The Pravachanusāratātparyanyriti of Jayasensuri is the oldest manuscript copied in 1439 A.D. Besides, there are individual collections of Sohanalālakālā. Kanakamala Boharā and Nandalāla Gurāsā.

GRANTHABHANDĀRAS OF TONK: There are two Sāstrabhaṇḍāras at Tonk The Sāstrabhaṇḍāra in the temple of Chaudharis contains 253 manuscripts and 85 gulakār. Most of them are incomplete. One of the Mss. is a commentary on the Tattoār than-sult a of Srutasāgara by Kanaka written in 1715 A.D. The Granthabhaṇḍāra in the temple of Terāpanthis contains about 382 manuscripts and 50 gulakār.

GRANTHADHANDĀRA OF KOTAH: The Kharataragachchhīya śāstrabhandāra of Kotah is a rich collection of the manuscripts numbering 1117. The carliest manuscript is the Rāmalukshmmmarāsu written in 1358 A.D. There is an incomplete copy of the Hindi work named 17saladenachauhāmarāsa probably written in the fourteenth century A.D. Among the other manuscripts following are remarkable: (1) 5rpārlarāra of Yaśovijaya dated 1388 A.D., Naudarājachaupār of Muni Kuśalasinha of 1379 A.D. and Hammīramabākāvaga of Nayachanda of 1429 A.D. in Sanskrit. Besides, there is a manuscript of

Kalpasütra written in golden ink in 1473 A.D. The Viraputra Ānandasāgara Granthabhandāra belongs to Ānandasāgarajī Mahārāja. Its total number of manuscripts is 415. The Sandehadohāvalīvritti of Prabodhachandra goes back to 1391 A.D.

The Granthabhandāra of a Jaina temple, Borsali, possesses 735 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript is the Jainarmana of Subbachandra in Sanskrit copied in 1491 A.D. Some of the important manuscripts are (1) Palyanidhanarīsa of Subbachanda in Hindi copied in 1633 A.D., (2) Chandraprabbānaminivabalo written by Bhaṭṭāraka Narendraklīti in 1545 A.D. and Ranivatakathā of Muni Sakalaklīti in Hindi composed in 1677 A.D. The works of Vegarāja have been also frund in a Gatakā.

GRANTHABHANDĀRAS OF BUNDI: There are five Granthabhandāras containing more than 1200 manuscripts. The Granthabhandara of the Parsvanatha temple contains 334 manuscripts. There is a copy of the Ramachandrarasa written by Brahma Iinadasa in 1471 A.D. The other rare manuscript is a commentary on the Bhaktāmarastotra of Hemarāja in Hindi prose. In the Granthabhandara of the Jaina temple of Adinatha, there are 168 manuscripts. earliest manuscript in this Bhandara is the Jyotisbaratnam. It with commentary written by Pandita Vaija in 1459 A.D. The other old manuscripts are Stg Tradbarmāmrita by Āśādhara, Trilokasāra and Ubadesamālā of Dharmadāsagani, The Granthabhandāra of the Jaina temple Abhinandanasvāmī possesses about 368 manuscripts. The Karakanduchariu in Apabhramsa language is a rare work. The Granthabhandara of the Mahavira temple has 172 manuscripts. Most of the manuscripts are in Hindi written in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. There are 223 manuscripts in the Granthabhandara of Jama temple Neminatha. The important manuscripts are Madhavanalaprahandha, written by Gokala, son of Narsa in 1437 A.D. and the Simbāsanabattīsī of 1607 A.D. There is a gutakā, which contains several small works of Yucharaja, a famous Hindi poet of the sixteenth century A.D.

GRANTHABHANDĀBAS OF NAINVĀ: There is a collection of 104 manuscripts in the Bagheravāla Jaina temple. Most of them have been written in Sanskrit and Hindi. One gujakā contains the works of Hindi poets of the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. There are about 80 manuscripts in the Granthabhandāra of the Terāpanthī Jaina temple. Besides

three Yantras written on cloth in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries are of considerable importance. Rishimandalayantra is the earliest one written in 1528 A.D. The Brihatsiddhachakrayantra and Dharmachakrayantra were written respectively in 1562 A.D. and 1627 A.D. The Granthabhandāra of the Agravāla Jaina temple contains a small collection of 37 manuscripts.

GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF DABALĀNĪ: Dabalānī is a village at a distance of 10 miles from Bundi. The Jaina temple of this place has a collection of 423 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript is the Shadāvalsyakabālāvalbabā by Hemahamsagani copied in 1464 A.D. at Ujiain. Some of the noteworthy manuscripts are (1) Ādimāthastavana composed in 1442 A.D. in Hindl, Ithāussārasamuchchaya by Lāladāsa in 1586 A.D., Simhūsamabatīīsī by Sādhu Gyānachandra in Sanskrit, Bhaktāmarastotrhātsbā copied in 1610 A.D. and Rāmayata by Kešarāja composed in 1523 A.D.

GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF INDERGARH: The Granthabhandāra of the Jaina temple of Pārśvanātha possesses 289 manuscripts. Most of them deal with religion.

SASTRABHANDĀRAS OF JHALRAPATAN: The Sāstrabhaṇdāra was established by the efforts of Ailaka Pannālāla. About 2000 manuscripts are preserved in it. The earliest manuscript in the Bhaṇdāra is the Bhāṇasaing nāhu by Devasena, copied in 1431 A.D.

Granthabhandāray of Udaipur. At Udaipur, there are some Jaina temples which possess a fairly good collection of manuscripts. The Sästrabhandāra of Sambhavanātha has about 517 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript in it is the Laghnjūrhatīkā of Bhaitotpala, copied in 1408 a.d. It contains about 25 rare Hindi works. The important manuscripts are Strāfīlmīsupataka by Āchārya Jayakitri composed in 1474 a.d., Rājulapatrikā by Somakavi, Rohnīr vrataprabandha by Brahma Vastupāla written in 1597 a.d., Hamunānachavitanāu by Brahma Gyānasāgara composed in 1573 a.d., Juarnddbaharana or Ushāburana by Ratnabhushanasuri, Bhatṣāruka-Sakalakītitārana by Dhatmasimha in 1640 a.d., Chhandaratnākara on metres and Alādharayatithagantha of Āsādhara, Sākādhara,

There are about 125 manuscripts and 50 Guṭakās in the Granthabhaṇḍāra of the Agravāla Jaina temple. Majority of the manuscripts are in Hindi. The notable manuscripts are (1) Chārudattaprabandha of Kalyāṇakīrti composed in 1653 A.D., (2) Mahāṭmrāna kā Chanpāī by Gaṅgādāsa, (3) Lokamatanirākaranarāta by Sumatikīrti, (4) Akalankayatirāsa by Jayakīrti composed in 1610 A.D., (5) Sudarāmassthūnī Chanpāī by Lālakavi composed in 1579 A.D., (6) Jinadattarāta by Ratnabhūshaṇa in Hindi, (7) Gommaṭavāmīchaupāī by Muni Jasakīrti composed in 1512 A.D., (8) Ajitanātharāta and Ambikārāta by Brahmajinadāsa, (9) Balabhadrarāta by Brahmayasodhara in 1528 A.D. and (10) Śrāvakārātrā by Dharmavinoda.

The Khaṇḍelavāla Jaina temple preserves a small collection of manuscripts numbering about 135. Most of the manuscripts have been written in Hindi. The oldest manuscript is the Bbūpālastavana copied in 1306 A.D. Some of the important manuscripts are (1) Gayasimbachaupārī of Rājasundara composed in 1497 A.D., (2) Rāmarāsa by Mādhavadāsa, (3) Champāvālīšīlakalyūnaka of Muni Rājachanda composed in 1623 A.D. and (4) Sīmandharavāmīstavana by Kamalavijaya in 1625 A.D. The Sāstrabhaṇḍāra of Agravāla Jaina temple Dhānamandī has a collection of 95 manuscripts. The Sarvārthasiddbi of Pujyapāda dates back to 1313 A.D. Other well-known manuscripts are (1) Pmyaīravakathākola by Rāmachandra, (2) Śabdabbedaprakāia by Maheśvarakavi in 1500 A.D. and (3) Dbarmaparīkshārāsa by Sumatikīti copied in 1591 A.D.

Besides, there are small manuscript libraries. About 300 manuscripts are available in Varddhamāna Jāānabhaṇḍāra. In the collection of Koṭhārī, 400 manuscripts are presetved. Gaṇeśilāla Mehata also possesses about 250 manuscripts. Besides, there are the collections of Yati Vivekavijaya and Yati of Kharataragachchha.

Manuscript libraries are also found at Bhiṇḍāra and Bhilwārā. There are about 1500 manuscripts in the possession of Yati Māṇakya. The late Yati Bhāgachanda possessed a good collection of the manuscripts.

GHANTHABHANDĀRAS OF JODHPUR CITY: In Jodhpur city, there are four Jaina libraries. In the collection of Bhaṇṭāraka Udaichanda, about 1500 manuscripts are available. The Jainaratnapustakālaya contains about 1500 manuscripts. The number of manuscripts preserved in the Ratnasūri Pustakālaya of the Jaina Vidyālaya is about 500. Besides, there are the collections of manuscripts in the temple of Keśariyājī and the temple of Koṭhārī.

HARISĀGARA JĀĀNABHAŅĀRA, LOHĀVAŢA: The total number of manuscripts in this Bhaṇḍāra is about 2110. Some of the remarkable manuscripts are (1) Rāfboḍavamhāvalī in Hindi, (2) Śringāratataka by Jainārā-yaṇa, (3) Samyaktvakaumudī by Jayasekhara, Sandelarāsakatippaņikā, Neminātharāsa, Vinekamahjarī, Magbaḍūlakāvaya, Kavirabayyatīkā and Kāvaptrakātamitit.

GRANTHABHANDĀRAS OF PILLODHI: There are three collections of manuscrips at this place. The collection of Phülachanda Jhābaka contains about 400 manuscripts. Besides, there are 375 manuscripts, in Sādhvī Pushpaśri Jñānabhandāra and 150 manuscripts in the Mahāvīra Jñānamandira of Dharmaśālā.

GRANTHABHANDĀRA OF MĀROŢHA: There were about more than 3063 manuscripts in the Jaina temple of Sāha of this place but most of them have been destroyed. At present, only 200 manuscripts are preserved in the Jaina temple of Terāpanthīs.

NAGAUR GRANTHABHANDĀRA: The Bhandāra of the Bhaṭṭāraka of Nagaur¹ is also famous in Rajasthan. The total number of manuscripts in this collection is more than 14 thousand, out of which two thousand are aptakās. All the manuscripts are on paper written in a period between the fourteenth century A.D. and the eighteenth century A.D. These manuscripts dealing with a variety of subjects have been written in Sanskrit, Prākrit. Apabhranisa, Rājasthāni and Hindī. Non-Jaina manuscripts are also available. Some historical poems concerning the lives of the Bhaṭṭārakas and Āchārvas are also noticed.

Some rare manuscripts of this Bhandāra are Nemīrūsa by Bhāu, Chetanapudgaladhamāta, Jagarāpavilāta in Rājasthāni by Jagarūpa, Bārahakhadī-Jāstra by Paṇḍita Maḥīxāja, Krishnapashchīsī of Kalha, Sarasvatī lakshmī-sanīvada by Maṇḍalāchārya Srī Bhūshaṇa, Maṇḍalāchārya-Śrībhishanahāvunī, Nemītivaracharitra by Dāmodara, son of Jinadeva, Chandraprabhusharitra of Dāmodara, Jāānaratnopākhyānamalayasumdarīcharitra by Hatitāja, Vasndbī-rāchariya by Bhūshaṇa, Gommatabhaktāmara by a pupil of Bhuvanakītti, Samyakpakaumudī by Hatisiniha, Tattvārthasukhahodhaṭīkā by Yogadeva, Māṇiskyamālāprainottara by Srībhushaṇa, Sambhavanathacharitra by Tejapāla,

Anekānta, XI, p. 128.

Varāngacharitra by Tejapāla, Pāṇḍavapurāṇa by Srībhūshaṇa, Bāhuhalapāthadī, Chhandalataka and Punyachandrodaya.

Among the Non-Jaina works preserved in this Bhandāra are the the Raghwamidaīkā by Haridāsa, Śrīnigamaprawachananāmasāroddhāraparanāma, Vidagdbamukhammydanaīkā, Vidagdbamukhamandanavritti, Sārasvataṭīkābālabodbinī, Bālabodbakārakukhandana, Rūpasundarapingalaviwarana, Vrittaratnākara-tīkā and Chandronmīlanatīkā.

It is generally believed that the Digambaras do not preserve the account of the lives of the Bhaṭṭārakas, but this Bhaṭḍāra contains the historical poems such as Nemichanda, Jasukīrti, I'titlakīrti, Dharmakīrti, Sahairakīrti, Gunachandra, Śrībhushanagīta, Śrīūryarakshitabhūvasūgaragīta, Āhchalagurumāmāvalītryikāannatairī, Būtkhetugīta, Būtkāntigīta, and Būtjhāna-śrīgīta. Two Paṭtāvalīs have been also preserved.

Besides, small Jaina libraries are found at different places¹ such as Mertä, Jaitäraṇa, Pāli, Pipāḍa, Jasola, Bālotarā, Sarānā (Station Patadi), Pachabhadrā, Āhora, Jālor, Siṇadhari (Mālāṇi station), Chontaṇa, Dhorīmanāṇa, Āsoṇa, Jadāū, Bālcsara, Āgolāī, Lāḍanū, Thobha, Dunāḍā, Majala (Station Ajita), Guḍā, Sojata, Jhāba, Bhinmāl, Nākoḍā, Ghānerāv, Khāsī, Nāḍol, Sādri, Āhora, Bātmer, Lolāvāsa, Mathāniā, Kāṇanā, Bilāḍā and Takhtagaḍha.

From the above survey, it is clear that a very large number of manuscripts have been carefully preserved in the Jaina Sāstrabhaṇdāras of Rajasthan. They were means of religious and secular education and fulfilled the needs of both Jainas and non-Jainas and as such rendered a valuable service to the cause of education when printing was unknown. No such efforts for organizing a library in every city, town and even in important villages were made to such an extent by any other community in Rajasthan except the Jainas.

CHAPTER VII

JAINA MONKS AND STATESMEN

Rajasthan was very fortunate in having given birth to a number of great persons who were initiated to the life of Jaina monkhood. They

^{1.} Marubhāratī, 1, No. 1

preached in Rajasthan, participated in various religious functions and made considerable contributions to the moral life of the people. Their works on various aspects of Jaina religion and philosophy and various other subjects including astronomy, medicines and law adorn the Jaina Bhaṇḍāras of Rajasthan. They exercised an immense influence on the rulers of Rajasthan and a few of them attracted the attention of even Akbar and Jahangir and succeeded in obtaining from them substantial concession for the Jaina places of worship. They themselves were highly honoured by the conferment of high titles. Their services to the cause of general education and popular literature is great. Their life of extreme penance and lofty ideals was inspiring. Their teaching moderated the materialism of the age.

As the Jaina monks were ever moving about and were reticent about biographical details, very little is known about their personal lives. There are several instances of a Jaina saint of having been born in Rajasthan, initiated in Gujarat and done his writing work either in one state or the other. In the same way, one born in Gujarat had his field of activity in Rajasthan.

In spite of Jainism having been associated with Rajasthan from very early times, we have no definite information about the details of the lives of the saints before Haribhadra.

1. JAINA MONKS

HARIBHADRA: In the eighth century, probably between 705 A.D. and 775 A.D., Haribhadra, the most distinguished Jaina scholar, lived in Rajasthan. He was born in a Brāhmaṇa family at Chitrakūṭa, the modern Chitor. He was the Purohita of a king named Jitāri about whom history knows nothing. He was well-versed in the Vedic lore.

It is said that he was deeply inspired by a Jaina nun; and as a result of it, he embraced Jainism. Being asked by his Guru to write 1444 volumes, he wrote a number of books on logic, Yoga, Dharma, ethics etc. Out of them only about fifty are now available. He also raised his powerful voice against the corrupt practices prevalent in Jainism.

SIDDHARSHI: The next distinguished Jaina monk of Rajasthan is Siddharshi born at Srimāla in Marwar. He was the son of Subhamkara. He was initiated and was named Siddharshi. In 906 A.D., he composed the

^{1.} Purātanaprabandhasangraha, pp. 103-05 and Prābhāvakacharitra, pp. 183-212.

allegorical novel named *Upamisibbavaprapañchākathā*. The Samgha being pleased conferred the title of 'Vyākhyānakāra' on him.

Later on, he made a deep study of Buddhism, so much so, that even the Buddhists held him in high esteem for his scholarship and highly virtuous life. In course of time, the title of Sūri was conferred on him by his Guru.

JINEŚVARASŪRI: Jineśvarasūri occupies a prominent place in Jaina history. His early name was Srldhara. He and his brother Srīpati were Brāhmaṇas by caste. They came to Dhārānagarī where they met a rich man named Lakshmīpati. He introduced them to Vardhamānasūri. Being impressed by their deep scholarship, Vardhamānasūri initiated them into Jainism and and instructed them to preach it.

At this time, the Chaityavāsī sect was very powerful. Actually, Vardhamānasūri rose in revolt against ir and founded Vidhimārga; but Jinešvarsuri by his efforts organized its followers into a community and made it countrywide. He went to Anahilapura where the Chaityavāsīs were very strong. He stayed in the house of the Purohita Somesvara. He defeated Surāchārya, the leader of the Chaityavāsīs, in the court of the king Durlabharāja at Pāṭaṇa and got the title of 'Kharatara'. He established his own sect known as Vidhimārga at Aṇahilapura. Later on, it was known as the Kharataragachchha. Then his reputation spread to neighhouring regions like Marwar, Mewar, Malwa, Vāgada, Sindh and Delhi, and a large number of Śrāvakas became his devoted followers.

Jineśvarasuri and his young brother Buddhisāgarasuri generally lived and moved together. In 1023 AD, they were at Jābālipura (Jalor), where Jineśvarasūri wrote a commentary on the Asbrakasungraba of Haribhadra and Buddhisāgarasuri completed the Syphajiha Pañehaggrantir.

Jineśvarasuri brought about a renaissance in Jainism, and, therefore, he is called the 'Yugapradhāna'. New temples known as Vidhichaityas were built. There came also some change in the form of worship. New Gachchhas, new castes and new Gotras also came into existence. The original latitus were revised and several commentaries were prepared. He had a large number of disciples, the chief among them were Abhayadeva, Jinachandra and Jinabhadra.¹

Alithāsika Jaina Kāvyusungraha,p. 4, Yugapradhāna Jinachandrasūri, p 10 & Kharataragachchu-bṛrhadguruvāvuli,

JINAVALLABHASŪRI: The next great Jaina saint is Jinavallabhasūri, who was the follower of Chaityavāsī sect in the beginning. At Pāṭan, he got an opportunity to study the scriptures under Abhayadevasūri, the saint of Vidhimārga. As a result, he gave up the Chaityavāsī sect and accepted Vidhimārga. At his directions, his followers constructed the Jaina temples known as Vidhichaityas.

At this time, the followers of the Chairyavāsī sect were powerful in Mewar. With a view to diminishing their influence, Jinavallabhasūri left Pātan for Chitor, where he converted a large numbe of people to Jainism and celebrated the consecration ceremony of several images and temples. From Chitor, he came to Dhārā. The King invited him to his palace, where he listened to his religious discourses. He was so highly pleased with his extraordinary poetic talent that he offered him a Jāgīra of three villages and a handsome present in cash. He did not accept either of them but requested that he king should grant two parut thadrammas daily from his customs house for the maintenance of two Kharatara temples.

From Dhārā, Jinavallabhasūri came to Vāgaḍa, where he addressed large gatherings. He also came to Nagaur where the installation ceremony of Nemijinālaya was performed under his supervision. As he converted several people to Jainism, it was natural for him to form many Gotras.¹

JINADATTASŪRI: Jinadattasuri is one of the great Jaina monks, who propagated Jainism in Rajasthan. He was born at Dhavalakapura in 1075 A.D. in Hümbada caste. His parents were Vādhiga and Vāhadadevī. His early name was Somachanda. His dīksbā Guru was Vāchaka Devabhadragaṇi, and he was given the name of Somachandra Muni. Being impressed by his extreme austerities and genius, Dhatmadevopādhyāya made him Āchārya at Chitor in 1112 A.D. and named him Jinadattasūri.

Jinadattasūri was widely respected even by the Rajput rulers of Rajputana and Gujarat for his learning and piety. The Chālukyan rulers Katnarāja and his son Siddharāja respected him. Jinadattasūri was a contemporary of Arnorāja Chauhāna of Ajmer, who honoured the Āchārya by visiting him at his own place and by granting his followers a suitable site for a big Jaina temple. He converted a large number of people to Jainism

^{1.} Kharataragachchha Brihadgurvävali & Aitihäsika Jaina Kävyasamgraha, pp. 14-6.

and established many Gotras. Besides, he is said to have given dīkthē to 500 monks and 700 nuns. Having installed Jinachandrasūri on his seat, he expired in 1154 A.D. at Ajmer. On account of his popularity among the masses, he came to be known as Dīdājī.¹

VADISRIDEVASURI: Devasuri was born in 1143 A.D. at Madhuvati near Mount Abu in the Prāgvāṭa family. He was the son of Vīranāga and Jinadevi. When cholera broke out in the town, Vīranāga left the town and came to Bharoch. The early name of Devasuri was Purņachandra.

From his very childhood, Purnachandra was highly intelligent. He impressed a Jaina monk who asked his master to give the boy to him. He was given dīkshī in 1152 A.D. and was named Rāmachandra. Within a short time, he became well-versed in the science of tarka, lakshaya, pramāya and literature; and scholars began to admire his scholarship. He defeated his opponents in the discussion held at Dhavalakapura, Kashmir, Sanchor, Chitor, Gopagiri, Dhārā and Bharoch. Impressed by his deep scholarship, the Guru installed him on the seat of Āchārya in 1174 A.D. and gave him the name of Devasūri.

Then Devasuri came to Dhavalakapura on the invitation of Udaya and performed the installation ceremony of the image of Simandharasvāmu. From there, he travelled to Mr. Abu for pilgtimage. In course of his journey, Srf Devasūri came to Nagaur. Abidāna, the ruler of this place, received him warmly. In the meanwhile, Siddharāja, the ruler of Gujarat, wanted to besiege Nagaur but when he was informed of the presence of Devasuri, he returned. Then he invited Srf Devasuri to Patan and kept him there for four months.

Srī Devasüri defeated the famous Digambarα Jaina Saint of Karnāṭaka named Kumudachandra in the discussion held in the court of the king Siddharāja Jayasimha. In 1147 λ.D., he got the Jaina temple constructed in the town called Phalavardhikā (Phalodhi) and performed the installation ceremony of the image. In the town of Λrasana also, the image of Nemijina was installed.

HEMISCHINDRA: The most prominent Jaina monk is Hemachandra under whom Jainism prospered greatly both in Rajasthan and Gujarat. He

Ajtihāsiku Jaina Kūvyasamgraha, pp. 14, 46 and 363 and Kharatarugachchhabrihadgurvāvali.

was born in 1089 A.D. at Dhandhuka, a town in the district of Ahmedabad and was named Chāńgadeva. His parents were Chāchiga and Pāḥiṇī of Stīmodha caste. Both the parents were adherents of the doctrine of Jina. Pāḥiṇi handed over her son to a monk named Devachandra. The circumstances which led Chāṅgadeva to enter the order of Yatis are more or less romantic. Devachandra took the boy with him to Cambay where he was first initiated in the temple of Pārśvanātha in 1093 A.D. On this occasion, the famous Udayana held the usual festival and Chāṅgadeva received the name of Somachandra. In 1103 A.D., he was ordained as Āchārya at Nagaur by Devasuri. On this occasion, he again changed his name and was now called Hemachandra.

The patron of Hemachandra was Jayasinha Siddharāja, who felt attracted and impressed by his deep and wide scholarship, used to listen to his discussion. Hemachandra helped Kumārapāla in securing his accession to the throne. He is said to have foretold that he was going to be the future ruler of Gujarat. It was for this reason that he had deep reverence for the Jaina religion. Kumārapāla was originally a devotee of Siva but was converted to Jainism by Hemachandra. After his conversion which is said to have taken place in 1159 A.D., he aspired to make Gujarat a model Jaina state. He personally gave up hunting animals, eating meat and using intoxicants, diceplaying and animal fights. In addition, he erected the Jaina temples and favoured the literary and scientific efforts of the Jainas.

Hemachandra was called the 'Omniscient of the Kali age' (Kalikāla Sarvajīna), the title which he well deserved. He was more a scholar than a poet. By his efforts, Jaina literature made considerable progress in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. His contributions to the general Sanskrit literature are also noteworthy. He wrote useful and important works on grammar, lexicography, poetics, prosody, philosophy and history.

Hemachandra's services to education were as remarkable as his literary activities. He trained a number of pupils who have left works on various branches of Sanskrit literature. The chief among those pupils are Rāmachandra, Guṇachandra, Mahendrasūri, Devachandra, Vardhamānagaṇi, Udayachandra, Yasaschandra and Bālachandra.

The Life of Hemachandracharya.

JINAKUŚALASŪRI: Jinakuśalasūri is the most popular Jaina saint and is also known as Dādājī. He was born in the village Samiyānā in Marwar in 1280 A.D. His original name was Karmaṇa. In 1290 A.D., he receivad initiation from Jinachandrasūri and was named Kuśalakīrti. At Nagaur in 1310 A.D., he was given the title of Vāchanāchārya by Jinachandrasūri. In 1319 A.D., Jinachandra passed away and the title of Sūri was given to Jinakuśala at Patan amidst great rejoicings.

Rājapati of Delhi made arrangement for the sojourn of Jinakuśalasūri. He passed through Kanyānayana, Narhad, Phalodhi, Marukota, Nagaur, Merta, Jalor, Srīmāla and at last reached Patan. The members of the Sanigha requested Jinakuśala to accompany them. He consented and started from Patan and reached Satruñjaya where he performed several religious activities. He worshipped the idol by composing new storas. Vaśodlara and Devendra were initiated to monkhood by him. He celebrated the installation ceremony of the image of Neminātha. The consecration ceremony of the images of Jinapatisūri and Jineśvarasūri was also performed by him. On the occasion of Nandīśvaramahotsava, Sukhakīrtigani was given the title of 'Vāchanāchārya.' Afterwards, he zeturned to Patan with the Sanigha safely.

In 1324 A.D., Virāṭamahotsava was celebrated at Patan with great rejoicings for fifteen days under the guidance of Jinakuśalasūri. The images of the Tīrthaṅkaras and the Āchāryas were sent to the various places such as Jalor, Devarājapura, Satruñjaya etc. Tejapāla celebrated the Nandīśvaramahotsava at Patan in which Sumatisāra, Udayasāra, Jayasāra and Dharmasundarī were initiated into monkhood. The famous Srāvaka of Bhīmapallī named V īradeva called Jinakuśalasūri from Patan to Bhīmapallī and requested him to accompany the Samgha reached Satruñjaya. After passing through various cities and villages, the Samgha reached Satruñjaya. He celebrated the consecration ceremony of the Vira Chaitya at Bhīmapallī, Chintāmaṇi Pārśvanātha temple at Jālos.

The Srāvakas of Sindh invited Jinakuśalasūri for propagation of Jainism. He went there and organised various ceremonies such as the Pratishbā, Vratagrabaņa, Mālāropana and Nandīmabetsava in order to give an impetus to Jainism. He wandered through various places and impressed

the people by his religious discourses. This caused a great religious awakening among the people. He spent a rainy season at Devarājapura where he caught high fever and died in 1152 A.D.

Jinakuśalasūri was a distinguished scholar, well-versed in different branches of learning like grammar, law, literature, prosody, astronomy, magic etc. He could not contribute so much to literature as he was engaged in other activities. So great was his influence that, in his honour, a number of stutis, stotras, padas and Chbandas have been composed in many a village, city and holy place. The people of Svagachchha, Paragachchha, Sthānakavāsī and Terāpanthī worship him with great devotion.

HĪRAVIJAVASŪRI: The most dåtringuished Jaina teacher at the time of Akbar was Hīravijayasīri. He was the leader of the Tapāgachchha sect of the Jainas and was born at Palanapu. He was the son of Kumāra and Nāthī of the Bīsā Osavāla family. His original name was Hīrajī. He was initiated to religious life by Vijayadānasūri in 1539 A. D. and was named Hīraharsha. After getting education from Muni Hariharsha, he went to Devagiri in the south in order to learn Nyāyašāstra from Naiyāyika Brāhmaṇa. He made a close and deep study of various branches of learning.

After his return from the Deccan, Vijayadevasūri made him a Pandita in 1551 A.D. Next year, he was made a Upādhyāya at Nādlāi. Then in the same year, he was made a Sūri at Sirohi. On this occasion, Chāngā Mehatā, a descendant of Dhannā Poravāla, the builder of Ranakpur temple, celebrated a great festival.

In 1982 A.D. when Akbar heard of the lofty virtues and deep learning of Hiravijaya, he ordered the Viceroy of Gujarat to request him to visit his court. In response to the summons of the viceroy, the monk went to Ahmedabad where he exchanged views with the royal representative. He refused to accept all the costly gifts presented to him and, in accordance with the rules of his order, he started on his long journey to Fatehpur Sikri on foot.

On his way, passing through Bisalapur, Mahāsana, Patan, Baradi, Siddhapur and other places, Hīravijaya reached Saratara. At this place lived a Bhila Chief named Arjuna. He along with his eight wives came to hear Striji's sermon, and he took a vow not to kill any innocent animal. He then went to Abu; and Rāva Surtāna of Sirohi welcomed him and took a vow to

^{1.} Dādā Śrī Jinakuśalasūri and Kharataragachchha Brihadgurvāvali.

refrain from drinking, hunting and meat eating. After that, passing through Sanganer, Chātsu, Bayānā and Mathura, he reached Fatehpur Sikri where he was accorded a royal reception; and Abul Fazl was asked to look after his comforts until the empetor found leisure to converse with him. After much discussion upon the problems of religion and philosophy first with Abul Fazl, the Muslim luminary of the age, and then with Akbar, he paid a visit to Agra. At the close of the rainy season, he returned to Fatehpursikri.

From the inscription by Hemavijaya dated 1593 A.D., in the porch of the eastern entrance of the Ādinātha temple of Satrunjaya hill, it appears that Hīravijaya persuaded the emperor in 1592 A.D. to issue an edict forbidding the slaughter of animals for six months, to abolish the confiscation of the property of the deceased persons, the sujijia tax and Sukla, to set free many captives, snared birds and animals and to present Sātrunjaya to the Jainas. Fishing was also prohibited at Fatchpursikti.

In 1596 A.D., Hīravijayasūri came to Nāgaur where he spent the rainy season. Mahajala, the finance minister of the king Jagamala, treated him with great respect. Indrarāja, an official of Bairat, invited him; but he could not go and sent his pupil Kalyāṇavijaya for the performance of the consecration ceremony. After that, he went to Abu and then to Sirohi where he spent the rainy season on the persuasion of the ruling chief. On his advice, Rāva Surtāna abolished some taxes. Once the Rāva had imprisoned one hundred innocent Srāvakas due to certain misunderstanding. The leaders of the Saringha had tried their best to secure their release but the Rāva did not listen to them. At last, he released them on the advice of Sūrijī.

From Sitohi, Hīravijaya came to Patan where he spent the next rainy season. From there, he started for Pālithānā. The function was organized in his honour which was attended by several Jainas. He also passed the rainy season at Uṇā. Ajamkhān, the governor of Gujarat, came to pay his respects. It was all due to Sūti's magnetic personality and the honour given to him by Akbar. At this time, Jāmasāhiba of Jāmanagara with his minister named Ābaji Bhaṇasāli reached Uṇā to pay his compliments to the Āchārya. Hīravijaya also induced the oficial Khān Muhammad to give up violence. He celebrated the consecration ceremony of the temple in 1991 A.D. and in the same year, he starved himself to death in the approved Jaina fashion.¹

^{1.} Akbar the Great by Smith, pp. 116-168 and Süriévara aura Namrat Akbar.

JINACHANDRA: Jinachandra was a famous Āchārya of the Kharataragachchha sect. He was born in 1508 A.D. at Khetsar in Jodhpur of Srīvant Sāha and Sirīyadevī of Bīsā Osavāla family. His original name was Sultan. He received his initiation in 1547 A.D. from Jinamāņikyasūri and his dikshā name was Sumatidhīra. In 1555 A.D., he obtained the title of Sūri from Gungprabhasūri.

While Akbar was holding his court at Lahore, he heard the fame of the Sūri and wanted to hear him. He summoned Mantrlivara Karmachandra Bachchhāvata and requested him to invite the sage to his court. Considering his old age and hot season, Karmachandra pleaded that it would be difficult for him to come from Cambay. Then, the emperor asked him to write a letter to send his disciple Mānasinha whom the Sūri sent along with six other religious followers. Receiving also an urgent letter from Karmachandra, the Sūri started his journey on foot, gradually reached Sirohi and observed the Chatarmāra at Jalot. Afterwards, he started, and passing through many villages and cities, reached Lahore in 1591 A.D. with thirty one Jaina Panditas in a great procession and was courteously received by the emperor. After a religious discourse on Aiman, ahimsā etc., he was conducted to his residence. He used to come daily to the palace for the discourse on religion. Akbar used to address him as a Great Master (Bribadeuru)

Hearing of the destruction of the Jaina temples at Dwarka, Jinachandra prevailed upon Akbar to issue an imperial Jamān for the protection of the Jaina holy places such as Satruñjaya, Pālihañā and Girnar. The necessary order was sent to Azamkhān, the Subedār of Ahmedabad. The places of pilgrimage were put in charge of Karmachandra.

Just before starting for Kashmir, Akbar met the Sūri and at his instance issued a farmān ordering the prohibition of the slaughter of animals for seven days (Navamī to Pārnimā) every year in the month of Āṣhādba. Akbar with the disciples of Jinachandra namely Mānasinha, Harshavišāla and some others reached Kashmir and observed the vow of non-violence for eight days. He returned to Lahore in 1592 a.d. At this instance, Jinachandra gave the title of Āchārya to Mānasinha, calling him Jinasinhasūri. On the advice of Karmachandra, Akbar gave the title of 'Yugapradhāna' or 'Chief of the Age' to Jinachandra. At the persuasion of Sūriji, Akbar gave

protection for a year to all animals of the sea adjoining Cambay, the place of pilerimage.

Jinachandra was held in high esteem by Jahangir also. In 1611 A.D., being incensed at the misconduct of the dissolute Darsani, Jahangir not only banished him but ordered that members of other Jaina sects should also be ousted from the realm. This caused wide-spread consternation amongst all sections of the Jainas. The news reached Jinachandrasūri who travelled from Patan to Agra and called on the emperor. After a prolonged discussion on religion, Sūrijī succeeded in persuading the emperor to withdraw the order. He breathed his last in 1613 A.D. at Bilārā in Marwar.

JINASIMHASŪRI: After Jinachandrasūri, his patjadhara Jinasinihasūri became the leader of the Kharataragachchha. In Rajasthan, he mostly lived at Bikaner, Sirohi etc. In the Śrī Jinasinihasūrigīta of Rāyasamudra, it is related that he had great influence on Jahangir. At his request, the emperor assured safety to all living creatures. He conferred upon him the title of 'Yugapradhāna'. In 1616 A.D. Jinasinihsūri spent the Chāturmāsa at Bikaner. In the Jinarājasūrirāsa composed in 1624 A.D. by Srisāra, it is written that Jahangir was much anxious to see him, and he sent an officer to Bikaner to invite him. But unfortunately, he died in 1617 A.D. on his way to Agra-

The event mentioned in the Jaina 1731a is more or less of the legendary character, intended to glorify the Jaina order, and can only be accepted when supported by some contemporary evidence. The attitude of Jahangir to Jinasimha (Alias Mānasimha) and towards the Jainas, as it is made to appear in them, does not seem to have been correctly represented. At the time of Khusru's rebellion, Mānasimha prophesied that Jahangir's reign would last only for two years. This encouraged Rāyasimha of Bikaner to rebel. He was, however, pardoned by Jahangir who waited for an opportunity to punish Mānasimha. In 1616 A.D. when Jahangir went to Gujarat, he persecuted the Jainas as their temples were the centres of disturbance and their religious leaders were accused of immoral practices. He summoned Mānasimha to the court but the latter took poison on his way from Bikaner and died. Evidently there seems to be more truth in these facts than the above concorted story.

Kharataraguchchha Brihadgurvāvali, Aitihāsika Jainakāvya-Sangraha, pp. 58, 81 and 82. and Yugapradhāna Junachandrasūri.

2. JAINA STATESMEN

Almost every state of Rajasthan and every principality or jāgīra was served by more than one Jaina minister or manager. Naturally, all of them were not pious people; but some of them led a life of lofty ideals and were deeply devoted to their masters who could not but respect the general principles of their religion. The ministers and officers preached by practice and not by precepts. Their masters and all others who came into close contact with them were deeply impressed by the simplicity of their personal life and began to respect the religion which was responsible for their high morality, their high official position, social status, learning, loyalty and devotion. They are too numerous to be described but a bare outline of the life of some of them seems to be necessary.

VIMALA: We have no information about the Jaina statesmen of Rajasthan before Vimala¹ who is the most famous Jaina statesman of the eleventh century. He was a son of Vira, the Mahatama of the King Mularāja, and rose to the position of the Minister of Bhīma I by sheer dint of his military skill. Probably, he fought against Mahmūd Ghaznī with his master. According to the Prabandhas, he defeated the twelve Sāmantas. It cannot be wholly legendary and may contain some elements of truth. They may be deputes or generals left by Mahmūd Ghaznī after his return from India. He also assisted his master in restoring Saurāshtra and Kachchha which became independent taking advantage of the Muslim invasion.

Afterwards, Vimala helped his master Bhīma in capturing Chandrāvatī, a place near Abu, from Dhandhuka. Bhīma made him a governor in recognition of his services. In course of time, Vimala restored friendship between Dhandhuka and Bhīma Bhīma returned his kingdom to Dhandhuka but kept Vimala as his representative of Abu as before.

Vimala was a deeply religious and selfsacrificing man. He led an extremely simple life and lavished almost all of his immense personal wealth on the construction of a wonderful temple on Mount Abu.

UDAYANA: Udayana was the well-known statesman in the time of Chālukyan rulers namely Siddharāja and Kumārapāla. He was a native of

Vimulacharitra. See also Purātanaprabandhasangraha (Vimalava*atiprabandha, pp. 81-82.)

Marwar, born at Jalor. He was a Jaina by religion and Srimāla by caste. At the suggesstion of some persons, he went to Karņāvatī and stayed at the place of a painter, named Lachhl. Fortune smiled on him and he became a rich man. In course of time, he won name and fame; and he was appointed as the governor of Cambay by Siddharšīa.

Udayana was a devout Jaina and enormously rich. He was responsible for the initiation of Hemachandra at the age of eight, when he was the governor of Cambay. According to the Prabandbachintamanti, it was he who persuaded his father Chāchiga to consent for the initiation of his son. When Kumārapāla was wandering as an exile persecuted by the fiery wrath of his uncle, it was Udayana who gave him shelter. Ther is little doubt that he remained in touch with him through out his exile and made efforts to secure him the throne.

Udayana was a true follower of Jainism. Once Kumārapāla sent him against the king of Soraṭha. He left his army in Vardhamānapura and went to Vimalāchala. While worshipping, he saw a rat with a burning wick entering a hole in the wooden temple. Seeing this, Udayana determined to build a stone temple and vowed to take only one meal till the task was accomplished. Then he reached the camp and marched against Sunsars. In a battle, the imperial army was defeated; but he was mortally wounded. The minister thought that he was dying before having rebuilt the temples of Vimalāchala and Bhrigukachchha. His officers assured him that his sons Vāgbhaṭa and Amrabhaṭa would carry out his plans. He passed away peacefully when his sons assured him to fulfil his vow. When Kumārapāla heard about his death, he was much grieved. Udayana had four sons Vāgbhaṭa, Chāhaḍa, Ambaḍa and Sola. Vāgbhaṭa and Ambaḍa became the Prime Minister and Minister respectively in his reign.¹

Vastupala: Vastupāla, the prime minister of the Vāghela king Viradhavala of Dhavalaka or Dholka during the thirteenth century, was not only a statesman but also a great patron of art and literature. Vastupāla and his twin brother Tejapāla were born in an aristocratic Prāgyāṭa family of Aṇahilavāḍa in 1205 A.D. They were the sons of Kumāradevi, the widow remarried to Aśvarāja, a military commander of the Vāghelas. During their childhood, they lived with their father in a town called Sumhalakapura which

^{1.} Prabandhachintāmaņi, pp. 67-68 and pp. 104-105.

was given to him by the Chālukyan king as a reward for his services.\textsuperscript{After the death of Aśvarāj, the two brothers with their mother went to Maŋdalī where they lived until the death of their mother. After that, they seem to have begun their political career. He served first under Bhīmadeva and his services were lent to the court of Dhavalakka only afterwards.We do not know when Vastupāla joined the services of Bhīma, but it is certain that he and his brother were appointed at Dhavalakka in 1220 A.D.

ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CONSOLIDATION: When Vastupāla was appointed the governor of Stambatītha or Cambay, he improved the economic conditions of the people and reformed administration. For this purpose, he devised an excellent administrative machinery in order to put an end to Matsyanyāya. He put a check on unscrupulous people who were making money by base means and indulging in piracy.³ In this way, he succeeded in checking corruption with an iron hand. All these measures naturally brought about confidence among the people.⁴ He also improved the moral tone of the people. As a result of it, life and property became safe and secure, and thus it led to the prosperity of trade and commerce.

Warlike Deeds: After establishing peace in the kingdom, Vastupāla launched upon the career of conquests. Samkha, the ruler of Lāṭa, claimed the port of Stambha, which was in the possession of Viradhavala and attacked it. After a fierce fight at a place called Vaṭakupa (Vaḍavā) near Stambatūrtha, Samkha was defeated. The Yādava King Simhana of Devagiri from the south and the four Mārwātī rulers from the north made a joint attack on the kingdom of Viradhavala. Showing shrewd statesmanship on this occasion, Vastupāla became successful in making truce with the four chiefs from Devagiri.

The Prabandhas describe several other warlike deeds of Vīradhavala and his two ministers. First of all, they conquered the rulers of Vāmanasthalī (Modern Vanthalī, near Junagarh). Sāṅgana and Chāmunḍa, the brothers of Vīradhavala's queen Jayataladevī declined to pay homage to Vīradhavala.5 They were slain in a combat. The great riches of the palace of Vanasthalī fell into the hands of Vīradhavala. Vīradhavala led another attack against

Vastupālacharura, Chapter I.
 Kīrtikaumudī, IV, 16.

Naranārāyaṇananda, XVI, 35.
 Vastupālacharitra IV, 40.

Prabandhakośa of Rājaśekhara, p. 103.

Bhīmasirinha of the Pratīhāra clan ruling at Bhadreśvara in Kutch but could not conquet him: he had to return only after making a peace treaty. By it, a new-friend was made and Kutch border became free from danger. After this Viradhavala thought of subduing Ghūghula, a chief ruling at Godraha (Modern Godhrā) in the Mahltara region on the banks of the river Mahī. Tejapāla, who was sent with a strong force, captured Ghughula and put him in a wooden cage.

During the reign of Viradhavala, there was the attack of Sultan Mojdin of Delhi on Gujarat but it was successfully repulsed by the strategy of Vastupala. Mojdin may be identified with the slave ruler Iltutmish who ruled from 1211 A.D. to 1236 A.D. The Sultan Iltutmish undertook a number of expeditions to Raiputana and Guiarat. He captured Jalor sometimes between 1211 A.D. and 1216 A.D. and Mandor about 1226 A.D. In one of these, he might have attacked Gujarat. The enemy was encircled by Dhārāvarsha of Chandravati from the north and Vastupala from the south after his army had entered a mountain pass near Abu. Consequently, the Sultan had to retreat. After some time, the Sultan's mother was going on pilgrimage to the holy Mecca and had come to a port of Gujarat where she was robbed by the pirates. Vastupala returned the old woman's property after receiving her with great respect and also provided for her comfort and safety. While returning from Mecca, she took Vastupala with her to Delhi and introduced him to the Sultan. Vastupāla obtained a promise from the Sultan to keep friendship with Viradhavala and thus made his kingdom safe. Coming from Delhi, he was received by Viradhavala with great honour.3

PILGRIMAGES OF VASTUFĀLA: According to the Prabandbas, Vastupāla had made thirteen pilgrimages to Satruijaya and Girnar. In childhood, he went to both the places with his father Aśvarāja in 1193 A.D. and 1194 A.D. After becoming a minister, he led the Samghas to Satruijaya and Girnar in 1221 A.D., 1234 A.D., 1235 A.D. 1236 A.D. and 1237 A.D. The pilgrimage of 1221 A.D. was probably the most important one as it is described with remarkable accuracy and poetic skill in contemporary works like the Kiritbaumudī, the Singritasamkīrtana and Dharmābhyadaya.

^{1.} Prabanandhaskośa of Rājašekhara, pp. 104 f. 2. Ibid., pp. 107 f.

^{3.} Ibid., pp. 119 f. See also Prabanandhachintāmaņi, p. 103.

PUBLIO WORKS: Vastupāla and Tejapāla are remembered more for the cultural activities inspired by their munificience. They brought about a cultural renaissance. They built a large number of public works like temples, rest houses, tanks, wells etc. Their munificience and philanthropy extended to a large number of places in the whole of Gujarat, Saurashtra and Marwar. Their public works extended to Sriśaila in the South, Prabhāsa in the West, Kedāra in the North and Benares in the East. They were confined not only to the Jainas but were meant for all. They constructed hospitals, dharmatītāts, Mathat, Siva temples and even mosques. Besides, the famous Jaina temple of Abu at Delavādā generally known as Luņavasahī temple was constructed by him.

PATRON OF LEARNING AND LITERATURE: Vassupāla was not only a philanthropist and patron of art but at the same time, a great patron of learning. He had established three public libraries in Anahilavād, Stambhatirtha and Bhrigulkachchha by spending an enormous wealth.³ His personal library was also very rich and contained more than one copy of all important sastrat.⁴ He was highly liberal towards poets and scholars. While giving patronage to scholars, he made no distinction between Jaina and non-Jaina. He gave large wealth to the Brāhmanas having poetical skill.

Moreover, Vastupāla was credited with a critical faculty which enabled him to detect defects in poetic compositions by others and to make improvements in them. He was himself a poet too. His poetic name was Vasantapāla. His first poem was the Adināthatotra in the form of hymn in praise of Ādiśvara on the Satruñjaya hills.⁵ He has also written several Stotras like the Nemināthastotra, Ambikāstotra and a short Arādhanā of ten verses. He was also proficient in composition of Sūktis. In the Abu Pradasti, Someśvara has spoken highly of his originality in the field of poetry.⁶ He has composed the Narantayamanada of Arjuna and Kṛishpa.

LITERABY CIRCLE OF MAHĀMĀTYA VASTUPĀLA: Several poets and the scholars circled round Vastupāla and not of the royal court of the Vāghelas. There is no doubt that these poets and scholars came to the

^{1.} Vividhatirthakalpa, p. 79. See also Prabandhakośa, p. 130

Prabandhakośa, pp. 129 f.
 3. Ibid.

^{4.} Vastupālacharitra, p. 80. 5 Naranārāyanananda. XVI, 39.

^{6.} Prūchīna Jama Lekha Sangraha, No. 64.

Vāghelas court and sometimes received gifts from their ruler. But these writers praised the Vāghela kings not so much as they did Vastupāla. It indicates that all of them were dependent upon Vastupāla, and it was mainly through him that their literary efforts were appreciated. And hence, we are justified in calling these writers as the literary circle of Vastupāla. The names of these writers are Someśvara, Harihara, Nānāka, Yaśovīra, Subhaṭa, Arisimha, Amarachandrasūri, Vijayasenasūri, Udayaprabhasūri, Jinabhadrasūri, Narachandra, Narendraprabhasūri, Bālachandra, Jayasimhasūri and Mānikyachandra.

JODHPUR STATE

RESTORATION OF THE KINGDOM BY TEJĀGADAHĪYĀ TO MĀLADEVA: In Jodhpur state, there were several leading Jainas who rendered valuable services to the ruling chiefs. Among them, the name of Tejā Gadahīyā is well-known. He was a great warrior and a faithful servant of Mahārājā Māladeva. In about 1541 A.D., Shershah attacked Jodhpur with large forces but he could not defeat the brave Rājputs so easily. He, therfore, took recourse to treachery and became successful in capturing Jodhpur from the Rāṭhoḍas. Shershah was so much impressed by their valour that he remarked "I had nearly lost the empire of Hindustan for a handful of Bājra (Millet)"

Shershah appointed his deputy Hamajā to govern Jodhpur. According to the Osavālavamiāvalā, Tejā Gadahīyā restored the kingdom of Jodhpur to his master Māladeva after putting Hamajā to death. It shows his bravery as well as devotion towards his master.

HEROIC AND PHILANTHROPIC DEEDS OF MUHANOTA JAYAMALA: Muhanota Jayamala was a great warrior and philanthropist. The Mughal emperor gave two districts of Jalor and Sanchor to Mahārāja Gajasinhha who appointed Muhanota Jayamala as the governor. Jayamala carried on the administration successfully. He defeated 500 Marāṭhās who invaded Sanchor. When a dreadful famine broke out in 1630 A.D., he distributed grains free of charge among the needy and distressed. Besides, he spent his entire property in these charitable activities.

MUHANOTA NAINASI AS AN ADMINISTRATOR: The son of Muhanota Jayamala was Muhanota Nainasi, who was a historian as well as an

^{1.} Anekānta, II, p. 249,

administrator. He acted as the dīvāma of Jasawantasinha. He compiled a history of Marwar on the line of Abul Fuzl. He introduced the census system and improved the administration by removing many lūgas and begāras. He has written a five-yearly report describing the districts, villages, their income, quality of land, tanks, wells and different castes in Mārwari language on the model of Ajni-Akbarī of Abul Fuzl.

Muhanota Nainasī was a devout Jaina and possessed spotless character. He was loyal but frank and brave but lenient. He led an extremely simple life strictly according to the tenets of Jainism.

RATANASIMHA AS A WARKHOR: Ratanasimha Bhandārī served Abhayasiniha with great zeal and devotion. He was a great warrior. In 1730 A.D. Mahārājā Abhayasiniha was appointed as a Vicercy of Ajmer and Gujarat. After a period of 3 years, he placed Ratanasimha Bhandarī in the sole charge of the province. He worked there from 1733 A.D. to 1737 A.D. The Mughal power was on decline so that the authority of the emperor was defied by the Marājhās on the one hand and by his refractory governors on the other. Ratanasimha, therefore, had to spend his whole time either in waging the wars against the Marājhās or putting down the overpowerful governors.

Ratanasimha had not been long in his new office when the Marāṭhās under their leader Jadujī Dābhade visited Gujarat. In order to save the province from their ravages, he had to purchase their retreat at an enormous expense.

Bhāvasimha, the hereditary governor of Vīramagām, was a source of trouble to him. In 1734 A.D., he had to issue orders to Jawahmard Khan for the arrest of the delinquent. Jawahmard Khan, of course, went to Viramagam and took him into custody but was forced by his supporters to release him.

In 1735 A.D., Soharabkhan was appointed as the governor of Viramagam but Ratanasinha did not like his appointment. Soharab Khan leaving Sadak Ali as his deputy in Junagarh marched for Viramagam. Ratanasinha also with assistance of Mominkhan and others proceeded towards Viramagam. A battle was fought between the two. The troops of Soharab Khan fled away and he himself was killed in the battle. Bhāvasinha of Viramagam was waiting for the revenge. He, therefore, entered into an alliance with the Marāthās and treacherously admitted them into the city.

Dămaji, the Marățhā leader, assumed the control of Viramagam and expelled the Mărawări administrator Kalyāna and left his agent Raigojī. Raigojī advanced as far as Bavia near Dholka pillaging and devastating the country. Ratanasimha marched against him and drove him back to Viramagam. He, however, laid siege to it. At this time, Pratāparāva advanced towards Ahmedabad. When Ratanasimha knew it, he at once raised the siege of the town and returned to Ahmedabad.

In 1737 A.D., Muhammad Shah became displeased with Abhayasinha and appointed Meminkhan as the Viceroy of Gujarat in his place. When Ratanasinha Bhaŋdārī became aware of the change, he at once wrore to his master for the orders. The reply from Abhayasinha was that Ratanasinha Bhaŋdārī should resist Meminkhan if he could. He prepared to defend Ahmedabad while Meminkhan prepared for the march of his army. Meminkhan also made his friendship with the Marāṭhās. But Ratanasinha was a a great diplomat and made attempts not to make the union of these two parties. In the end, he entered into negotiation with Meminkhan and left the city after receiving a large sum of money from him.

After the death of Jorāvarasimha, the chief of Bikaner in 1745 A.D., there started a war of succession between the two claimants namely Gajasimha and Amarasimha. With the aid of Thākura Kuśalasimha and Mehatā Bakhtāvarasimha, Gajasimha succeeded in securing the gaddi, upon which Amarsumha took up the cause of the disappointed claimant and marched a large force in command of Ratanasimha Bhandārī against Gajasimha. A decisive battle was fought in 1747 A.D. and Ratanasimha Bhandārī was killed fighting gallantly.¹

Professionally a soldier and statesman, Ratanasiiiha was almost a Sādhu in his private life. Naturally, he was greatly respected not only by lainas but also by non-lainas including the Muslims.

Samasera Bahādura as a General: Samasera Bahādura, who was the commander in chief of Mahārāja Vijayasunha, participated in several battles. In the battle fought in Gaurwar province, he showed excellent bravery in 1792 A.D. In recognition of his gallantry and heroism on battle fields, Mahārājā Vijayasinha became highly pleased and conferred upon him

Some distinguished Jainas pp 60-63 and See also Jodhpurarājya kā Itihāsa, pt. II, pp. 638-641.

unique honour of Rāva Rājā and a jāgīra worth 29,000/-. He was a very pious man and stories regarding his charity and purity are still current in Marwar.

LOYALTY OF DHANARĀJĀ: After conquering Ajmer from the Marāṭhās in 1787 A.D., the ruling chief of Jodhpur made Dhanarāja its governor. The Marāṭhās soon recovered their losses and four years later again invaded Marwar. Two sanguinary battles of Merta and Pātan were fought in which Mārwārīs were defeated.

In the meantime, the Marāṭhā General De Boighe had attacked and invested Ajmer. Dhanarāja, the governor of the place, stood the siege heroically and successfully. Vijayasinha, seeing the disastrous result of Pāṭan, issued him order to surrender the place to the enemies and return to Jodhpur. It was too exacting a demand on his brave and chivalrous nature. He would neither consent to a disgraceful surrender nor would he be guilty of disobedience to his master. He was thus placed in dilemma. Eventually, he decided to end his life. He had the diamond ring on his finger. He had the gem pulverised and swallowed the powder. "Go and tell the prince," cried the departing hero, 'thus only, I could testify my obedience and over my dead body alone, could a Marāṭhā enter Ajmer.'

DIPLOMACY AND LOYALTY OF INDRARĀJA: Indrarāja Singhī was a real diplomat as well as a loyal servant of his master. Jagatsinha, the ruler of Jaipur, espoused the cause of Mānasinha's rival Dhonkalasinha and attacked Marwar with a large army. Mahārājā Suratasinha of Bikaner, Pinḍāri Aniirakhan and several other Sardars also joined him. Jaipur forces took the possession of Māroṭha, Merta, Parbatast, Nagaur, Pālī, Sojat etc. and even the city of Jodhpur. Only the fort remained under the possession of Mahārājā. At this time, Singhi Indrarāja and Bhaṇḍāri Gangārāma requested Mahārājā Mānasinha to let them out through the secret path of the fort. The prince acceded to the request and sent them outside the fort. Both of them went to Merta where they collected a large force. They won Amīrakhan, the leader of the Pinḍārīs, to their side by offering him a bribe of one lakh. After that, Singht Indrarāja, Bhaṇḍārī, Gangārāma and Thākura Sivanāthasinha of Kuchāman left for Jaipur. When the Mahārājā of Jaipur came to know, he sent a large army under the command of Rāyā Sivalāla. Several skirmishes

^{1.} HOO, p 55

took place but no decisive battle was fought. At last, Amīrakhān and Singhī Indrarāja succeeded in routing the Jaipur forces at Fāgi near Tonk. When this news reached Jagatasinha, he immediately raised the siege of Jodhpur and left for his country.

Mahārājā Mānasimha highly honoured Indrarāja on his return to Jodhpur and made him his chief minister. After that, Indrarāja besieged Bikaner and compelled the Mahārājā to pay four lakhs of tupees as a price for raising his siege. He also saved his master from the serious plot of Amīrakhān. When he invaled Bikaner, Amīrakhān in his absence got the patṭā of the districts of Parbatsar, Māroṭha, Dīdwānā and Sambhar. The Pathans of Amīrakhan reached Jodhpur and demanded their salaries and the possession of four districts from Indrarāja, who asked them to produce the relevant document. When it was placed before him, he swallowed it up. This act infuriated the Pathans who killed the Singhī then and there. When this news reached the Mahārājā, he expressed his deep sorrow over his death and ordered for the royal funcral. In return of his valuable services, Mahārājā Mānasimha gave the jāgīta of twenty five thousand and divānagī to his son Fateharāja.¹

BIKANER AND JAINA STATESMEN

RESTORATION OF THE KINGDOM TO KALYĀNASIMHA BY THE EFFORTS OF NAGARĀJA: In Bikaner State, there were some Jaina statesmen who not only controlled the civil affairs of the state with great skill but also took part even in military affairs. Among them, the name of Nāgarāja is well-known. He was a faithful servant of his master Jaitrasimha. When Māladeva, the ruler of Jodhpur, wanted to conquer Bikaner, Jaitrasimha sent Māgarāja to the court of Shershah for help. Jaitrasimha lost his life fighting against Māladeva who took possession of Bikaner. Nāgarāja persuaded Shershah for the invasion of Marwar. Māladeva was badly defeated, and it enabled Kalyāṇasimha, the son of Jaitrasimha, to restore his hereditary kingdom.

Tradition has it that Nagarāja was a great man in all respects. He was a God-fearing man, and his every act was inspired by lofty ideals. He gave great charities, respected Sādhus and led a very abstemious life.

HOO, pp. 59-63.

MILITARY AND PHILANTHROPIC ACTIVITIES OF KARMACHANDRA: Karmachandra was an able statesman, a great general and a religious man. He was the chief minister of Rāyasimha. When Abhayasimha, the ruler of Jaipur, invaded Bikaner, he advised his master to make peace because the state was not prepared for the disastrous war. By his efforts, Akbar gave the title of Rājā to Rāyasimha. When Mirza Ibrahim of Nagaur attacked Bikaner, he repulsed him. Later on, he fought against Gujarat under Mughal standard. He extended the bounds of the Bikaner state by occupying Sojat, Jalor and some portion of Sindh.

Karmachandra rendered valuable services to his community and religion. He led many Sanighas to the holy places. In 1555 A.D., he celebrated the official entry of Jinachandrasūri at Bikaner with great rejoicings. During the famine of 1578 A.D., he made every endeavour to relieve the starving population by setting up depots for the free distribution of grain. He recovered a large number of images from the Mohammedans into whose hands they had fallen and deposited them in the Chintāmaṇi temples at Bikaner. It was through his efforts that Jainism secured the place in the heart of Akbar. In 1592 A.D., on the suggestion of Karmachandra, Akbar invited Jinachandrasūri from Cambay and received the holy visitor at Lahore with high honour.

Karmachandra was a farsighted statesman. When Rāyasimha, the ruler of Bikaner, was becoming more and more extravagant, he made the last and determined effort to bring the king to senses at the cost of his personal loss. The treasury became empty and the future of the state appeared gloomy. His enemies poisoned the ears of the Rājā against him. Rāyasimha determined to arrest Karmachandra and to put him to death. Anyhow, it became known to Karmachandra who at once fled from Bikaner and sought the protection of Akbar. The emperor treated him with kindness and assigned him an honourable post in his court.¹

SUPPRESSION OF REFRECTORIES BY AMARACHANDA SURĀŅĀ: Amatachanda Surānā rose to the position of eminence during the reign of Mahārājā Suratasimha. He was sent with an army against Zabatakhan, the

HOO, pp. 100-104. See also Karmachandravamisaprabandha and Karmachandravamiotkirtanakāvyam.

chief of Bhattis. Zabatakhan fought for 5 months, but in the end, he had to surrender the fort to Amarachanda. In recognition of his service, Amarachanda was made divana of the state.

In 1808 A.D., Sūratasimha despatched a large force under the command of Amarachanda to check the march of advancing army under Indrarāja Singhavi, sent by Mahārājā Mānasimha of Jodhpur. However, no major incident took place and it was with the good offices of Amarachanda that the reconciliation between the two states was brought about.

Amarachanda was then appointed to suppress the refractory nobles of Bikaner. He carried out his task most successfully with iron hand. He exacted a heavy fine from the Thäkura of Saraubi and then attacked Ratanasimha Baidvant and hanged him on the spot. He next invaded Bhattis and ruthlessly butchered them all except one. Soon after, he attacked the leading Thäkura chiefs Naharasimha and Pūraṇasimha and imprisoned them. In 1815 A.D., he was sent with an army against Sivasimha of Churu, who committed suicide. And thus, Churu fell into the hands of Amarachanda. Mahārājā Sūratasimha highly appreciated his services and conferred on him the special honour.

The continuous success of Amarachanda Surāṇā could not be borne by his enemies who formed a conspiracy to bring about his downfall. In 1817 A.D., he was falsely accused of intriguing with Amīrakhan, the leader of the Piṇdārīs, and was executed in a most brutal manner by the Mahārājā.

UDAIPUR AND JAINA STATESMEN

SHELTER TO PRINCE UDAISMINA BY ĀŚĀŚAHA: The Udaipur state was served by a number of Jama soldiers, statesmen and administrators with singular devotion and loyalty. One of them is ĀŚāṣāha who was the Kiledara of Kumbhalmer. He afforded asylum to the infant prince Udaisimha against the clutches of Banavira. Although in the beginning, when Pannā Dhāya approached him for protection of Udaisimha, Āṣāṣāha was reluctant to give him shelter. But later on, it was on the persuasion of his mother that he acceeded to the request of Pannā. In order to maintain secrecy, he began to call Udaisimha as his nephew. When Udaisimha came of age, Āṣāṣāha along

^{1.} Some Distinguished Jainas, pp. 71-74.

with a handful of chiefs installed Udaisimha on the gaddī, and this saved the dynasty from ruin.¹

LOYALTY OF MEHATA CHĪLAJĪ: Another officer who proved loyal to Udaisimha in his hour of crisis was Mehatā Chilajī. Though he was the Kiledāra of the fort of Chitor under Banavīta, his real desire was to restore the fort to the rightful claimant Udaisimha. When the latter besieged the fort of Chitor, Mehatā Chilajī sent all the secrets of the fort to Udaisimha and thus helped him in capturing the fort.³

BHĀMĀŚĀHA, THE SAVIOUR OF MEWAR: Bhāmāśāha, who was the dīvāna of Mahārāṇā Pratāpa, set the noble example of high sense of patriotism and loyalty. When Mahārāṇa Pratāpa was in desperate need of money to continue the struggle with the Mughal emperor, Bhāmāśāha, the embodiment of truth and loyalty, came to his help and disclosed the secrecy of the hidden treasure, as it was written in bhāī, which was under his possession. This enabled Mahārāṇā to collect his scattered forces and to renew war against Akbar. The result was that Rāṇā Pratāpa in a short campaign regained the whole Mewar except Chitor, Ajmer and Mandalgarh.³

MILITARY AND PHILANTHROPIC DEEDS OF DAYĀLADĀSA: Saṅghavī Dayāladāsa, Dīvāna of Mahārāṇā Rājasimha, was a great general and philanthropist. When Mewar was attacked by Aurangzeb in 1679 A.D., Dayāladāsa fought on the side of Mahārāṇā and gave an example of undaunted heroism. Besides, Dayāladāsa was also sent to check the advance of the Mughal forces from the side of Malwa.

Not only the military general but he was also deeply religious minded and a devout Jaina. It was on account of his personal efforts that Mahārāṇā issued orders for the observance of ahimsā in the area of $Up\bar{a}sar\bar{a}$. Dayāladāsa also constructed a beautiful Jaina temple in the shape of a fort on the mountain just near Rājasamanda.

MRIATA AGARACHANDA AS A DIPLOMAT AND STATESMAN: Mehatā Agarachanda proved himself to be the successful diplomat and able statesman of the eighteenth century A.D. At this time, the political situation of India as well as of Mewar was surcharged with fear and suspicion and

^{1.} HOO, pp. 70-71. 2. Ibid., pp. 71-72

^{3.} Udaipurarūjya kā Itihāsa, pp. 1304-05, and Viravinoda, p. 251.

^{4.} Udaipur Rājya Kā Itihāsa, pp. 1304-05.

anarchy was rampant. The props of the Mughal empire seem to be failing and the Marāṭhās taking advantage of such situation were plundering and devastating the territory. In Rajasthan too, the princes were disunited and were indulging in mutual quarrels and family feuds. Mahārāṇā Arisimha was a man of unscrupulous temperament. As a result of it, his faithful Saradāras became hostile to him and coquetted with the Marāṭhā chiefs. The Marāṭhās inflicted a severe defeat on Mahārāṇā and forced him to pay a heavy war indemnity. Mahārāṇā could pay only 33 lakhs and for the rest, he gave the districts of Jīvaḍā, Jiram and Nīmach etc. to Sindhia. Taking advantage of the weakness of Mahārāṇā, Holkar also occupied the fertile area of Nimbāḍā. Under such state of affairs, Mahārāṇā made Mehatā Agarachanda his Dīvāna.

With uncommon tactfulness and personal intrepidity, Mehatā succeeded in bringing about a rapprochement between the two rival and hostile groups of the Sardāras and thus restored peace. In order to achieve this object, he occupied Mandalgath which was the stronghold of the rebellious Sardāras. Naturally, this pleased Mahārāṇā who first appointed him as the governor of Mandalgath and afterwards gave him the patā of that place.

Agarachanda again came to Mahārāṇā's rescue when fictitious Ratanasinha organized a conspiracy with the help of Sindhia and some of the Mewar Chiefs. Though Mahārāṇā's forces fought with undaunted heroism, they were defeated; and Agarachanda and other chiefs were made captives. He was asked by the Matārhās to recognize Ratanasinha as the rightful claimant but, true to his master's loyalty, he declined to do so. Any how with the help of Sivachanda, he was able to free himself from the clutches of the enemy.

Mehatā Agarachanda also served Mahārāṇā Bhīmasinha who gave shelter to Chūṇḍāvatas of Rāmpura. This incited the anger of Sindhia of Gwalior who sent forces against Mahārāṇā under the command of Λkhā and Lākhā. Λ dreadful battle was fought and in the end, Mehatā Agarachanda emerged victorious. When the chief of Shahpura took away the district of Jahazpur, Mehatā Λgarachanda fought against him and seized Jahazapur back.

Mehatā Agarachanda was not only a skilful general but also an able administrator. He successfully carried on the administration of Mandalgarh

¹ Udaipurarājya Kā Itihāsa, pp. 1311, and HOO, pp. 77-82

by providing facilities to the people. He constructed tanks and repaired the fort. He was also a man of letters. In his last days, he wrote some works which reflect upon his diplomatic insight and scholarship.

FARSIGHTEDNESS OF MEHATĀ DEVĪCHANDA: Mehatā Devīchanda was a farsighted statesman. He was also truti.ful and highly devoted to his master and state. When under some pressure Mahārāṇā Bhīmasimha became ready to hand over the fort of Mandalgarh to the famous Jhālā Jālimasimha, Devīchanda paid no heed to his instructions and continued to occupy the fort. Being a farsighted statesman, he knew the future dangers. Jhālā Jālimasimha made preparations to annex Mandalgarh. First of all, he constructed a fort at Luhandi near Mandalgarh for invasion. Not only this, he occupied three villages of Mewar. Devīchanda at once attacked Jhālā, routed his forces and forced him to flee away. Mahārāṇā became highly pleased and wanted to offer him the post of Chief Ministership. He declined to accept and remained only a chief councillor.

JAINA STATESMEN OF JAIPUR

In the history of Jaipur, the Jaina statesman occupy a high and prominent place. About fifty Jainas acted as Divānas and rendered valuable services to the state. Under their patronage, Jainism made a great progress. They got various copies of the Jaina Sāstras prepared and constructed a number of temples and images. They were also warriors and good administrators. The achievements of some of them shall be described here.

WARLIKE DEEDS OF VIMALADĀSA: Vimaladāsa was the Dīvāna of both Mahārājā Rāmasinha I (1668 A.D.—1690 A.D.) and Višanasinha. He was a great warrior and lost his life in the battle of Lālasoṭa. A chhatrī was also built in his memory.

RESTORATION OF THE KINGDOM OF AMBER BY RAMACHANDRA: After Vimaladāsa, his son Rāmachandra became the chief minister who served both Viśanasimha and his successor Sawāi Jayasimha. He restored the kingdom of Amber to Sawāi Jayasimha. In 1707 A.D., the Mughal emperor Bahādura Shah invaded Amber and occupied it. He appointed Saiyyad Hussain as the governor. Jayasimha abandoned his kingdom along with his chief

HOO, pp. 87-88 and Uduipur Rājya kā Itihāsa, pp. 1315-16.

minister Rāmachandra and took shelter under Mahārāṇā of Chitor. Rāmachandra wanted to free Amber from the clutches of the enemy. With this object in view, he organized his forces which compelled Hussain Khān to leave Amber in favour of Sawāi Jayasinha. In recognition of his services, Mahārāja assigned him a piece of land and his name also began to appear on his coins. Formerly there was written Dīvāna Rāmachandra on the golden coin but now 'Bande Dīvāna Rāmachandra' was inscribed.'

Rāmachandra was also famous as a man of justice. When there was a possibility of conflict between the chiefs of Jodhpur and Jaipur over the partition of Sambhar, he was appointed as an intermediary from both the sides. He divided Sambhar equally between the two parties and his decision was accepted. In return of his services, he was given about 5000 maunds of salt yearly.

DEVOTION OF KRIPĀRAMA TOWARDS HIS MASTER: Another able Jaina statesman of Sawāi Jayasimha was Kṛipārāma who was an envoy at Delhi. He was the faithful servant of his master. Vijayasimha, the rival of Sawāi Jayasimha, won the Mughal emperor and his vazir Kamaruddin to his side by a promise to give five crotes of rupees and five thousand cavalry. Rāva Kṛipārāma knew the secrecy of the plot through Daurankhan and cautioned his master. Jayasimha took the measures of safeguard against his enemies. He became highly pleased with Kṛipārāma and gave the village of Manoharapura to him.³

VIJAYARAMA CHHĀBARĀ AS A DIPLOMAT: Vijayarāma Chhābarā was also one of the ministers of Sawāi Jayasimha. The sister of Sawāi Jayasimha was going to be married to the Mughal emperor Bahādurshah, but it was due to the efforts of Vijayarāma Chhābarā that she was married to Rāva Budhasimha Hāḍā, the king of Bundi. Further, as a successful diplomat, he became successful in bringing the hostilities between the Mughal emperor Bahādurshah and Sawāi lavasimha to a close.

HARISIMIA AS AN ADMINISTRATOR: Sawii Jayasimha obtained the *Ijara* of the Sekhāvāti district from the Mughal authorities. He, therefore, intervened in this affair for the first time in 1726 A.D. and 1727 A.D. He appointed a competent banker named Harisimha to collect the tribute. The

Vīravāņī, I, pp. 68-83 and Rājputāna Kā Itihāsa by Ojha, pp. 915-16.

^{2.} Annals & Antiquities of Rajasthan, p. 592.

Qaimkhani Nawabs held this place as watan for more than a century. At first, the Qaimkhani chief declined to pay the tribute; and disturbances also took place before the authority could be established. As the troops under the command of Harisimha were insufficient to secure the Darbar's possession in Jhunjhunu, he entered into a series of agreement with local leaders to secure their assistance in suppressing the trouble. In the end, he became successfu' in establishing the authority of Sawäi Jayasiinha in Sekhäväti.

RĂYACHANDA AS A DIPLOMAT: The marriage question of Kṛishṇā-kumārī between the rulers of Jaipur and Jodhpur was settled by the efforts of Rāyachanda. Kṛishṇākumārī, the daughter of Mahārāṇā Bhīmasiniha of Udaipur, was first going to be married to the ruler of Jodhpur. As the ruling chief of Jodhpur died before the marriage, it was decided to marry her to Jagatsimha, the chief of Jaipur. This was considered to be an insult of the Jodhpur House by Mahārājā Māṇasiniha. In about 1803 AD, the preparations for the struggle started on both the sides. Any how Rāyachanda settled the question peacefully between the two parties. Both Jaipur and Jodhpur chiefs promised not to marry Kṛishṇākumārī. The sister of Jagatsimha was married to Māṇasiniha and the daughter of Māṇasiniha was given to Jagatsimha.

The peace thus established could not last long. Again, there started a struggle on the question of Dhonkalasimha. Hearing the news of the invasion of Jaipur by Rāṭhoḍa forces with the help of Amītakhān, Jagatsimha had to raise the siege of Jodhpur fort and march towards Jaipur. At this critical time, Rāyachanda by giving bribery of one lakh won Amītakhān to his side and saved both the town and life of his master.

SIVAJĪLĀLA AS ADMINISTRATOR AND WARRIOR: Sivajīlāla became famous both as an administrator and warrior. There was no systematic order in the collection of Muamala during the reign of Mahārājā Pratāpasimha and there were several irregularities. Sivajīlāla became successful in removing them all and collecting a large amount of money. He achieved a remarkable success in the task of the production and the distribution of salt entrusted to him. He also participated in several battles fought by the Mahārājā of Jaipur against the Pindārīs and Rathodas. In appreciation of his services, Mahārājā of Jaipur gave him special honour.

Report on Panchāpana Singhānā, pp. 9-10, See also A report on the Land Tenures and Special powers of certain Thikanedars of the Jaipur State, pp. 45-46.

SANGHĪ JHOTĀRĀMA AS A DIPLOMAT: Sanghī Jhotārāma was a shrewd diplomat in the nineteenth century A.D. Such was his powerful influence in the court of Jaipur that Tod remarked it as the faithless court, the Ihoota darbara and the Baniyaraja. But these expressions indicate only the partisan character. It was only due to the prejudice of the author against the hesitation of Jaipur state in accepting the British alliance because of the influence of Ihotārāma who knew the future consequences. The British Government took Bairīsāla of Samod, the leading nobles of the state to their side. Between Ihotārāma and Rāvala Bairīsāla, there came into existence the deadly enmity. In order to bring the downfall of Jhotārāma, schemes were devised. He was credited with the crime of murdering his young master in 1835 A.D. When he knew the jealousy, he himself resigned the post of ministership. He was ordered to go to Dausa, where he was kept under strict restrictions. He could neither write nor read. Santris and Chaparasis remained there to guard him. Even after that, the plots were devised by Rāvala Bairīsāla who was in power.

In 1835 A.D., the assault was committed upon the person on the British Resident Major Alves when he was returning from a visit of ceremony at the palace. It caused the death of Mr. Blake, the assistant agent to the Governor General. Jhotārāma was residing at Dausā under confinement. He with his brother and son were arrested because some letters were seized both at Dausā and Agra. As a matter of fact, these letters seem to be forged. For the trial of this case, the court met in 1836 A.D. The judges appointed for the trial were the puppets in the hands of the British Government. He and his brother were sentenced to death by the court but the Governor General in Council however took a different view of this case. The sentences of death in their case was commuted to imprisonment for life and the fort of Chunar was designated as the place of their confinement 1

The numerous Jaina statesmen, soldiers and administrators who served various important states of Rajputana for several centuries wielded naturally a great influence in the respective states. Their influence was very helpful to the spread and dissemination of Jainism in Rajasthan. They secured respect for Jaina Sādhus, arranged maintenance of Jaina temples, helped in

^{1.} Jaipur State Trials,

running Jaina schools, encouraged the well-equipped Jaina libraries, and in several other ways ensured respect for Jainism even by those who were not its followers. Rajasthan has been ruled for the last one thousand years by Rājputs who had no hesitation in shedding the blood. That Jainism flourished in their dominions is due to the influence of the Jaina Sādhus and the leading Jaina house-holders. Besides, there were a large number of Jaina businessmen and almost in every state, a few of them even multimillionaires. Some of them were mighty bankers and the Rājput rulers who suffered from the chronic want of necessary funds for maintaining the armies and running the administration depended mostly on loans from these rich magnates; and what is true of the rulers, was true in still greater degree of the people in general in all the states. Thus, the mercantile Jaina community wielded a great influence in the society; and their religion was naturally respected by the people. It is due to the influence of Jainism that the population of Rajasthan ruled by Rajputs remained vegetarian in larger majority than any other part of India.

CHAPTER VIII

CONTRIBUTIONS OF JAINISM TO RAJASTHAN

In the foregoing chapters, an attempt has been made to describe the role which Jainism has played in what is now known as the state of Rajasthan. According to the traditions, Jainism has existed in this region since times immemorial; but from the eighth century onward, it has been a great cultural force. It has enriched the culture of this state by making remarkable contributions to its art and literature and has raised the standard of ethics and morality by its rational preachings.

The wonderful temples of Mt. Abu, the Dhāidinakā Jhomparā of Ajmer and the Sāngāner Jaina temple are edifices of which any nation can be proud. The general plan, the artistic details, the lovely and delicate material of the Abu temples and the immense wealth lavished on them form the subject of several books or chapters written by recognized authorities on art. The Dhāidinakā Jhomparā with its most artistically designed pillars, brackets, lintels and ceiling panels rivals any building of Fatehpur Sikri or earlier building of the Hindu period and shows how anxious the Jainas were to create artistic and attractive surroundings for the students so that they might

pursue their studies in ideal environments. There are scores of Jaina temples spread all over Rajasthan and particularly in Western part of it formerly known as Sirohi state and Western Marwar. Every one of these buildings is well planned and designed simply but beautifully decorated and executed with the chastity and simplicity of taste.

The contributions of Jainism to the art of iconography are not insignificant. There is neither the wealth of variety as we find in Hindu temples, nor do we find emotional poses which form the most distinctive features of several Brāhmanical temples. On the other hand, we find the statues of the Tirthankaras, the several Jaina goddesses, the carved illustrations of the various Jaina stories or phases of Jaina religious life; and they all indicate that the Jainas did not lag behind in contribution to the Rajasthan art of iconography. The statues of Tirthankaras indicate a serenity of pose and remarkable proportion as laid down by Jaina Sāstras. The statues of goddesses show remarkable rhythm and balance. The group of statues show that the Jaina artists knew the art of blending and harmonising. Of course, the sculptors were common for the Jainas and Hindus; and the general ideas were also not diametrically opposed, but the Jaina artistic idealogy did not indulge in exuberance. It imposed upon itself the necessity of pose and restraint and thus made the Jaina art so much emotional and inspirational.

The Jaina paintings in Rajasthan are of various types. There are collections of miniature paintings in private possessions, illustrations in Jaina books particularly in Jaina Purānas, pictures of citics, their bazars, transactions and various other activities in the invitation letters known as Vijnaphipatras which were presented to Jaina Sādhus by the representatives of various cities where they were invited to deliver discourses. Besides these, the covers of the books, the walls of the temples, the Tasanas and Choksis used there are sometimes painted with beautiful human figures of large variety and floral designs. The wealth of art of painting is very remarkable contribution made by the Jainas; and our study of this art in Rajasthan cannot be called complete unless we make a thorough study of Jaina art of painting. The most distinguishing feature of Jaina art is its complete avoidance of amorous aspect of life; and what is further striking is this that it does not suffer in its depth, extent and appeal for want of it. The miniature paintings exhibit a large variety. There are paintings depicting a single individual, a Sādhu, a

Grihastha or a ruler etc. There are pictures of assemblies, religious discourses, processions etc. Then, we have pictures of animals and birds and various floral designs meant for decorative purposes. The most remarkable paintings are those contained in the invitations extended to Jaina Sādhus. They show the remarkable variety of details, remarkable not only for art of blending of colours but also for throwing great light on the contemporary social, religious and economic life of the times. Taken altogether, the paintings indicate that the art has reached the high stage of propress.

The literacy among the Jainas has always been the highest. Being the business community, every one of them has to acquire at least the knowledge of a R's. Their ladies also are mostly literate. This is one of the many reasons why the largest number of ministers in Rajasthan have been Jainas. This has been their great contribution to the intellectual life of the state. The Jaina Sadhus are all of them more or less quite educated and some of them have been even great scholars. Even the Sadhus possess knowledge far above that of an average man. It can be safely said that the contribution of the Jaina Sadhus to the various aspects and phases of literature both Sanskrit and Hindī is as important as that of the Brāhmanical scholars. A large number of books not only on Jaina philosophy, logic, ethics, sociology and history but also on literature, poetry, dramaturgy, astronomy, mathematics etc. indicate the extent of their range of interest. Of the greatest importance is the contribution of Jaina writers to Hindi literature. The oldest books in Hindi Dingala and Brajabhāshā are by Jaina authors. They date as back as the fourteenth century and are preserved in the various Jaina Bhandaras of Rajasthan subject to study for the history of the growth of Hindi language.

The influence of Jainism on the general moral life of the masses has been considerable. Jainism lays the greatest emphasis on the cultivation of morality, life of abstinence, restraint and on progressing self-effacement. Hence we find that though they have been the richest community in Rajasthan, not more than a few of them married more than one wife. Even during the period when polygamy particularly among the wealthy was the order of the day, this had good effect upon those who came into contact with them and the Jainas being either businessmen or officers, their contacts were very wide. Among the Jainas, there were also great builders and philanthropists who supplied livelihood to thousands of people and gave immense charities for the

benefit or relief of humanity. Such humanitarian works and activities of the Jainas created a very healthy atmosphere in the region and inspired others, who were equally well placed in life to follow the noble and lofty example. Thus they preached not by precepts but by practice. It is no exaggeration to say that the general philanthropic tendency of the wealthy magnates of Rajasthan is due to the influence Jainism has exercised during the last twelve hundred years on the people of this area.

The Jaina community as a whole is strictly vegetarian. This has had a very healthy influence on the entire population. The Vaisyas and the Brāhmaṇas, who came into their contact, became strictly vegetarian in Rajasthan whereas those of Bihar, U.P. and Punjab are mostly non-vegetarian. The masses of this state are also practically vegetarians. Even the Jats mostly avoid meat eating. The Rājputs, whose profession has been fighting, are non-vegetarian; but among them also, there are quite a number of people who are vegetarians. The Jaina practice of feeding and sustaining the birds and ants has been adopted widely by the Hindu community also. In fact, so far as the life and conduct of the majority of people is concerned, there is no difference between a Jaina and non-Jaina. Ethically and morally, they are all one and in the upper strata of society except of course Rājputs, it is not easy to distinguish between the general way of life of a Jaina or a Hindu. It is only when we probe a man as to his ancestral or personal faith, then alone we can identify a Jaina ortherwise their living and thinking are much alike.

The principle of abimsā is mainly a Jama doctrine. It has a place in Hinduism wherein its history is long and continuous but it is Jainism which lasy particular emphasis on it. In fact, this stress on abimsā has been the main argument of the Jainas against popular Hinduism whose protagonists found no point of defence when faced by Jaina teachers. This is why Jainism made such a rapid progress during and after the reign of Harsha and became very popular in Rajasthan especially among the upper classes from the eleventh century onwards. In every day life, abimsā is the guiding principle and regulating force in Rajasthan. Abimsā as understood and practised today in this state is mainly the Jaina doctrine, though of course, it was never foreign to the essential principles of Brāhmanism. The Hindu attitude towards Jainism has been one of sympathy and tolerance. The Rājput rulers have respected the Jaina Sādhus and patronized Jaina community and the difference

in these religions and philosophical outlook has been generally ignored and hardly ever over emphasized. But one point on which there has been complete unanimity both in theory and practice is the principle of abitivia. Even those, who cannot practise it, do not dispute its fundamentals. It is universally admitted that all killing is bad. This is, therefore, the triumph of Jainism and its most ennobling and uplifting contribution.

The idea of Public Library is also a Jaina one. We cannot trace any Granthabhandara of an earlier date than the Jaina Sastrabhandara of Rajasthan. The learned Brahmanas had their own small collections of manuscripts but the Jaina manuscript libraries are traceable as early as the tenth century A.D. and some of them contain works not only on Jainism but on non-Jaina and secular subjects also. These manuscript libraries were sources of knowledge to the Jaina community in particular and to all others in general. Jainism. therefore, made an important contribution to the mass and higher education in Rajasthan during the centuries preceding the British era. The same thing can be said about Jaina Pāthasālās. Before the introduction of the present system of education and regimentation by Government, there used to be periodical village schools and some permanent town classes arranged by the leading residents of the villages and towns. But regular Pathasalas for teaching Sanskrit and Prakrit were generally conducted by Jaina communities in villages and cities. These Pathasalas were utilised mostly by the Jainas but a small percentage of non-Jainas benefitted by them. It would also be interesting to note that almost in every Jaina Pathasala, there was co-education. This custom was responsible for high literacy among Jaina ladies. Of course, the coeducation was permitted till about the age of ten or eleven. But this was sufficient to give the knowledge of a R's to the girls. The most notable feature of the Jaina Pāthaśālās was the simplicity of their teaching method especially the teaching of Sanskrit and Prakrit languages. The Jaina Panditas did not care much for the classical grammars such Ashtādhyāyī mahābhāshya or even Siddhantakaumudī. They generally followed the Katantaravyākarana or even the simpler method of Dhaturupavali or Sabdarupavali and this gave the student the working knowledge of Sanskrit which enabled him to read and understand the books of daily use. This was a great service to the cause of Sanskrit which was at least kept alive during the periods of political tumult and turmoils.

Wherever there was a big Jaina businessman or even a small community of the Jainas, a dispensary was set up for providing medical relief not only to Jainas but to all. Before the advent of the British rule, there were number of such dispensaries all over Rajasthan and they were all started by private enterprise. Where this was not possible, certain well-known and well-tested carefully prepared specifics for the common diseases used to be distributed by the Jaina firms and the practice was adopted by non-Jaina businessmen. This afforded a great medical relief to the people during the time when there was no state organization for the purpose.

It is argued that while Jainism has popularised abinisā and raised the standard of morality and ethics, it has weakened the Hindu community and made it averse to fighting and shedding blood. This argument is not baseless. The Jainas as a community are generally against fighting. Hardly ever a Jaina would enlist as a soldier; and there is not a single Jaina in the Jails of Rajasthan imprisoned for committing a dacoity. The conduct of the Jainas might have made the other communities also non-aggressive and nonfighting. A Jaina cannot stand the sight of blood and flesh and cannot, therefore, do well in a battlefield. But history tells us that at least some Jainas like Vimala, Vastupāla, Udayana and Tejāgadahiyā were gallant generals and military leaders who served their chiefs with remarkable loyalty and gallantry and proved equal to the generals hailing from war like races such as Rajputs, Jats and Muslims, so the general effect was to make the followers of Jainism averse to fighting which amounted to voluntary disarmament. But the principle of ahimsa did not prevent them from responding to the call of duty when extraordinary circumstances faced them.

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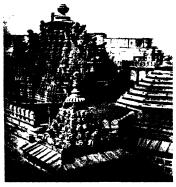
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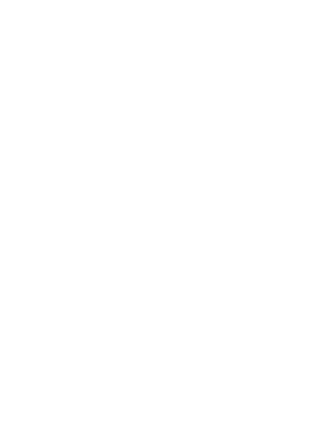
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